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SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship HIMALAYA, 1,241 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander J. H. Atkinson, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 20th June 1871, at noon.

	June		July.
Leave BOMBAY	20	Leave Pondicherry	2
,, Carwar	22	,, Madras	4
,, Narrakel	24	,, Coconada	6
,, Aliepey	25	,, Vizagapatam	7
,, Tuticorin	26	,, Bimlipatam	8
,, Colombo	27	,, Gopaulpore	8
,, Galle	28	,, False Point	9
,, Negapatam	July 1	Arrive CALCUTTA	10

During the S. W. Monsoon, viz., from the beginning of June to end of August, the Steamers do not communicate with the ports of Mangalore, Cannanore, Calicut, and Cochin, but passengers for the Neilgherries may be landed at Narrakel, six miles north of Cochin, from whence they may proceed by back water to stations on the Madras Railway.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussora, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, MAROMERAH, and BUSSORAH.

The Steam Ship INDIA, 1,010 tons, 200 H.P., Commander R. L. Turner, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 10th June, at noon.

	June.		June.
Leaves BOMBAY	10	Leave BUSSORAH	30
,, Kurrachee	14	,, Mahomerah	30
,, Guadur	15	,, Fao	30
	July.		July.
,, Muscat	17	,, Bushire	1
,, Bunder Abbas	19	,, Linga	6
,, Linga	21	,, Bunder Abbas	7
,, Bushire	23	,, Muscat	9
,, Fao	25	,, Guadur	11
,, Mahomerah	25	,, Kurrachee	15
Arrive BUSSORAH	26	Arrive BOMBAY	18

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every SATURDAY, at noon.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. Cuthbert, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 17th June 1871, at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY.

(VIA SUEZ CANAL).

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA. The regular Steamers leave

GENOA and BOMBAY on the 24th, and on the 1st of each month,

PASSENGER RATES,

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

To	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
Aden	£22	£15	£4	
Suez	28	18	8	Including Wines at Table.
Port Said	38	24	9	
Alexandria	39	25	9-10	
Messina	45	29	12	
Naples	47	32	13	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles with transhipment at Genoa	52	35	14-10	Without Food.

Children under 3 years, free of charge.

Children not above 10 years, half fare.

Next Steamer from Bombay,

PERSIA, on SATURDAY, 1st of July, 1871.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

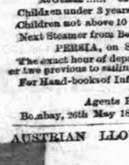
For Hand-books of Information, Rates of Freight, &c., apply to VOLKART BROTHERS,

Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 26th May 1871.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE VIA SUEZ CANAL.



THE Company intends to despatch every month a Steamer from TRIESTE to BOMBAY and *vice versa*.

The SPHINX, 1,400 Tons, will be despatched from Bombay, about the 8th JUNE. These Steamers have limited accommodation for a small number of Passengers. The rates for Cabin Passengers include food and table wine transit through Egypt, and free conveyance of 2 cwt. luggage. For Baggage in excess 2½per Ton is charged.

PASSENGER RATES FROM BOMBAY:

	Cabin.	Deck with Food.
To Aden	£16	£ 7-13
To Suez	£20	£15- 0
To Port Said	£30	£14- 6
To Trieste	£40	£19- 0

Cargo taken for Trieste, also for Venice, Constantinople, and Odessa, Aden, Malta, England and the Continent generally.

Trieste is also a weekly service by MAIL STEAMERS between Alexandria and Trieste, and *vice versa*, in conjunction with the P. & O. Co.'s Mail Steamers to and from Suez. The Austrian Lloyd's Mail Steamers leave Alexandria direct for Trieste immediately after the arrival of the Bombay and Calcutta Mails from Suez. The distance between Alexandria and Marseilles, is 200 miles shorter than that between Alexandria and Trieste, and the voyage to Trieste is much more agreeable, it being a coasting trip full of variety and beautiful scenery from the Island of Candia to the Port of Trieste. The passage occupies only 4½ to 5 days, and the Company's best Steamers are employed on this line, which are built expressly for this service, with special reference to the accommodation and comfort of passengers, and have fitted to the accommodation and comfort of passengers, and have fitted on board an experienced Surgeon on board. A visit to Trieste (the port for each an experienced Surgeon on board. A visit to Trieste (the port for each an experienced Surgeon on board. A visit to Trieste (the port for each

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET for Land and Bank shares remains steady. Spinning shares closed weaker. Inquiries for Port Canning shares at higher rates.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares.	Nomi. value per sh.	Paid-up.	Last Dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs. p. a.			
100,000	100	all	4 p.ct.	Agra Bank	100
22,000	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,400 nl.
10,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	Ditto of Bombay New	633½
1,000	500	50	do.	Ditto 2nd Rec. Issue	150
5,000	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Ditto of Madras	1,380
80,000	250	all	4 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China	250 par
47,000	275	all	10 p.ct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	380 nl.
47,500	316	all	nil	Chartered Bk. of L. & C.	150
37,500	75	12½	nil	National Bank of India	104
10,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	500

LAND COMPANIES.

2,000	3,000	all	Rs. 70	Colaba Land Co.	1,705
8,000	100	all		Fore Land & Pier Co. Ld	167
75	2,000	2,000	Nil	Mazagon Land	250
4,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	Port Canning	375

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	220	218.3.0	p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	245
...	5	109.15.0	do.	Do. New 5% shares	126
...	12	15.10.0	do.	Do.	...
...	610	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co	1,160
...	61	19.5.3	do.	Do. New Shares	208

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co.	1,500
800	2,000	all	200 p.c.	Alliance Spinning	2,500
100	5,000	all	...	Bombay	3,000
900	1,000	all	45 p.c.	Bombay United	945
1000	150	150	...	Broach Mills	255
750	2,000	all	...	Dharumsey Spinning	2,700
750	2,000	all	75 p.c.	Great Eastern	2,080
2,500	1,000	all	140 p.c.	Mahomji Petit's	1,125
800	2,500	all	350 p.c.	Oriental	2,020
600	2,500	2,400	...	Royal	2,3.5

*Per share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,500	220 p.c.	Akbar Cotton Press Co.	2,125
200	2,000	1,400	150 p.c.	Albert Co. Karrachee	1,000
250	3,300	800	Nil.	Alexandra Press Co.	430
150	42,000	14,000	200 p.c.	Apollo Press Co.	7,400
1200	2,000	1200	...	Bombay Press Co.	2,375
100	500	400	Do.	New	585
500	1,000	all	Nil.	Colaba Press Co.	5,000
350	1,000	all	...	East India Press Co.	3,500
150	4,500	all	300	Fort Press Co.	10,700
300	2,000	1,800	...	Framji Cowasji Press	1,060
200	1,000	6,000	Nil.	Hydraulic Press Co.	2,5 0
500	5,000	1,562	75 p.c.	Imperial Press Co.	1,175
300	5,000	2,000	300 p.c.	Karrachee Press Co.	1,125
2,000	400	350	35 p.c.	Mofus. Press & G. Co.	520
125	2,500	all	500	Prince of Wales Press	2,500
225	1,000	1,000	...	Victoria Press, Madras	725
150	2,000	all	Nil.	Tinnevelly Press Co.	1,000
400	1,500	...	...	Carwar Company	...

MISCELLANEOUS.

...	2,500	1,500	70 p.c.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	830
50,000	10	7½	15 p.ct.	Bombay Gas Company	7½
3,000	50	all	9 p.c.	Mechanics Bldg. Co	34
800	2,000	300	21 p.c.	Karrachee Landing and Shipping Company	170
2,000	500	all	40 p.c.	Merchant S. Co.	410 x d
3,000	236	all	6 p.c.	Vegas Patent Slip Co.	87 x d

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

	Date of Dation.		
500	85 Jan. '66	Bank of Bombay	50
90	191 ...	Do. China	1
250	2 Mar. '66	Central Bank	1
...	...	East India Bank	1
20.0	13 Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula	1
200	70 May '	Royal Bank	2

COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION.

2,270	2,375	Nov. '66	Back Bay Co.	32

EXCHANGE.

On	Terms.	Rate:
London	At sight	1s. 10 9/16d.
London Banks	6 months' sight	1s. 11 1/16 d.
Do. Credits	4 Do. do.	1s. 11¼d.
Do. Documents	4 Do. do.	1s. 11¼d.
Calcutta	At sight	100 8/16.
Do.	30 days' sight	100 Par
Do.	60 days' sight	99½
Madras	At sight	100¼
Do.	30 days' sight	100
China	60 Do. do.	228

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each	Rs.	10-15
Bank of England Notes	,,	10-15
Carolas	,,	220
Mexican Dollars	,,	220
Five-Frane Pieces	,,	203
Bar Silver	,,	111
Gold Leaf	,,	13-6
Bar Gold 10 oz. English	,,	17-2
Australian Gold	,,	17-2

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Government Securities	4 per cent.
Mercantile Bills	6 ,,

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent	114½
Five per cent	106½
Four per cent	99½
Four & half per cent. (Public Works Loan)	107
Five per cent Debenture Loan 1866-67	103
15 years' Debenture Loans	108½
10 years' do. do.	106
5 years' do. do.	103
Six per cent. Municipal Loan House Rate	115
Do. Do. Market Rate	115

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—JUNE 6.

Stephenson, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on duty, from Poona.
Kinchant, Lieutenant, 11th Hussars, on leave, from Jacobabad.
Birnie, Staff Surgeon, Bombay Medical Staff, on general duty, from Hyderabad.

DEPARTURES.—JUNE 6.

Drummond, Captain, Bengal Staff Corps, on medical certificate, to England
Black, Lieutenant, 11th Hussars, on leave, to England.
Hughes, Lieutenant, (The Queen's), on duty, to Mount Abo.
Hamilton, Major, Bengal Staff Corps, on leave, to Baroda.
Stephenson, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on duty, to Poona.
Turner, Lieutenant, 8th (The King's) Regiment, on duty, to Nasseerabad.
Kingsco'e, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on duty, to Lucknow.
Birnie, Staff Surgeon, Bombay Medical Dept., on duty, to Poona.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters,
Poona, 3rd June, 1871.

The attention of Officers Commanding Divisions, Districts, Brigades and Stations, and Officers Commanding regiments of British Cavalry and Infantry, and Brigades and Batteries of Artillery, is called to the subjoined extract from the G. O. G. I., republished under G. G. O. No. 111 1864:—

Para 5.—"As the apprehension of deserters, and the speedy issue of the reward to those who assist the Government by effecting it, depends materially upon the transmission of Rolls and full particulars by regimental authority to Civil and Military functionaries concerned, Commanding Officers are held responsible that the earliest possible intimation of desertion from their corps is made to all proper quarters, especially to the chief police authorities at the several presidency towns and ports of embarkation."

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to make the following appointments:—

Captain F. J. S. Adam, Staff Corps, officiating Adjutant 22nd N. I., to be Station Staff Officer at Neemuch.

The following General Orders by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India, are published for information:—

With reference to G. G. O. No. 391 of 31st ultimo, Staff Assistant Surgeon Hare is placed on general duty, Poona Circle.

Cornet J. C. Kinchant, 11th Hussars, 2nd Squadron Subaltern 3rd Sind Horse, is attached to the 1st Regiment Light Cavalry in view of his studying the native language.

Captain C M Ryves, General List, is attached to do duty with the 2nd Regiment N I Grenadiers.

The undermentioned officer returned to duty by permission of the Secretary of State for India on the 18th May 1871:—

Lieut-Colonel W. V. Shewell, Staff Corps, officiating Quartermaster General of the Army.

The following arrangement in the 18th N. I. is confirmed:—

Major C. O. Lord officiated as Wing Officer from the 20th to the 26th March 1871, both days inclusive.

The following order is confirmed:—

Kolapoor Station Order, Dated 20th May 1871, appointing Captain Tuting, officiating Quartermaster 17th N. I., Station Staff Officer, vice Barkley.

The undermentioned officer has leave of absence:—

89th Foot.—Lieut. A. G. Godwin-Austen, to England, overland, from date of departure, to appear before a medical board.

SHIPPING.

DAILY FREIGHT REPORT—6TH JUNE.

London	Cotton	£3 0s. 0d.	p. ton.
	Oseed	£3 0s. 0d.	,,
	Seeds	£2 10s. 0d.	,,
Liverpool	Iron Ship Cotton	£2 2s. 6d. to £2 8s. 0d.	
	Wooden Ships ,,	£1 17s. 6d. to £2 2s. 6d.	
	Myrabolms & Coir bdls	£1 0s. 0d.	
	Seeds	£1 15s. 0d.	
Havre	Cotton	£2 17s. 6d. to £3 0s. 0d.	
	Oilcs		
Overland Steamers		£3 0s. 0d. to £3 5s. 0d.	
Liverpool via Suez Canal		£2 10s. 0d. to £2 12s. 6d.	
China	Steamer Cotton	Rs. 8 per bale.	
	Opium	Rs. 2550 to 30 per chest	
	Sailing Ships	Rs. 6 per bale	
Calcutta	Salt	Rs. 3 0 0 to 4 0 0 per ton	
Calcutta to Bombay		Rs. 16 and Calcutta Port charges	
Mauritius		8 annas to 10 p. bag nominal.	

ARRIVAL.

June	Vessel.	Commander.	From
6	India (s)	Turner	Bussorah, May 19.

DEPARTURES.

June	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
6	Baroda (s)	Hall	Aden and Suez.
	Sattara (s)	Ballantine	M. Coast and Calcutta.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—
Steamer Baltar, Blake, to China, &c.,
Ship City of Berlin, Warden, to Liverpool.
Ship Prince Oscar, Powles, to Liverpool.
Ship Lalla Rookh, Wilson, to Havre.

DAILY IMPORTS.—6TH JUNE.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Royal George, 53 cases copper brazier, B Ambaidass.
Brazilian (s), hhds brandy, R Bendon Hobbs.

FROM LONDON.

Haddon Hall, 20 kegs soft soap, H Allybhoy; 70 cases sherry, 30 cases whiskey, 20 cases gin, 20 cases claret, 20 cases hock and 12 cases champagne, Cutter, Palmer & Co; 7 packages medicine, R Jewaj; 81 cases confectionery, &c., N & B Wadia; 66 casks beer, Nowrojee and Cursetjee; 18 packages hardware, 8 packages blotting wire and 250 packages iron nails, T Adumjee; 11 cases provision, 40 cases oilmanstore, 1 case cheese and 4 cases bacon, C Dadabhoy.
The Tweed, 6 cases claret, Payne & Co.
Conflict, 20 barrels tar, J Mocasjee.
City of Brussels, 1 case hardware, N Canjee.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Nouvelle Pallas, 82 cases corks, H Bomanjee Touche & Co; 126 cases brandy, 8 Murzanjee & Co; 4,140 boxes brandy, 5 boxes marasquen and 10 boxes claret, N Ardaseer & Sons.

FROM GLASGOW.

City of Dublin, 7 casks earthenware, K Esmallee.

FROM CLYDE.

City of Dublin, 23 cases ginger wine, 17 cases rum and 4 cases whiskey, S Rustomjee Sookia.

DAILY EXPORTS.—6TH JUNE.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Macedon, 3 bales cotton, Moolleedhur and Hoss sz
Persia, 500 bales cotton, Sir Charles Forbes & Co; 93 bales cotton, V Manchund; 48 bales cotton, R Moorarjee; 46 bales cotton, P Bhanjee.
Sydney Dacres, 257 bales cotton, L Khimjee & Co; 26 cases fishamaws, and 70 bundles horns, N Ganjee.
Oriflamme, 94 bales cotton, B Zoomkan.
Elizabeth Fry, 84 bales cotton, M Juggunath.
T E Lennox, 229 bales cotton, H Bomanjee Touch & Co; 8 bales cotton, G Bufdeer.
Compta, 75 bales cotton, B Canjee.
Cavour, 178 bales cotton, V Manchund.
Royal Adelaide, 480 bags linseed, Ewart, Latham & Co; 15 bales cotton, E Hurjeevan; 1,000 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers.
Sir Charles Napier, 560 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 15 bales cotton, G Framjee.
Calcutta, 49 bales cotton, N Premchund.
Timash, 41 bales cotton, N Kuttow; 293 bales cotton, Grahm & Co.
Evelyn, 25 bale cotton, W Nursey.
Delhi (s), 50 bales cotton, Finlay, Muir & Co; 160 bales wool, N Khuttow; 100 bales cotton, G Fazul & Co.
Exmina, 200 bales cotton, George S King & Co.
Sir John Mandeville, 51 bales cotton, T Sackuichund.
Stornoway, 319 bags linseed, Jones, Scott & Co.
British Consul, 100 bales cotton, H Bomanjee Touche & Co.
Charles Ball, 300 bags linseed, S Narronjee & Co.

FOR LONDON.

Delhi (s), 30 cases M. of P. shells, N. Ganjee; 11 bundles hides, and 4 bundles skins, C. Nanjee; 2 cases shawls, P. Apoo.

FOR TRIESTE.

Sphinx (s), 50 bales cotton, H. Bomanjee Touch & Co.
Delhi (s), 300 bags coffee, G. Sigg & Co.

FOR VENICE.

Sphinx (s), 16 bales cotton, Remington & Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Delhi (s), 200 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.
Sphinx (s), 293 bags coffee, Kunkler, Presswerck & Co.

FOR NAPLES.

Delhi (s), 200 bales cotton, G. Sigg & Co.

FOR HAVRE.

Delhi (s), 300 bales cotton, Planque Vinoy & Co; 36 bales cotton, George Lockhart & Co.
British India, 250 bales cotton, Kunkler, Presswerck & Co.

FOR AMSTERDAM.

Donna Maria, 25 bales cotton, Finlay, Scott & Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Statesman (s), 10 chests M opium, S E Sassoon; 14 chests M opium, N J Ebram; 275 bales cotton, N Kessowjee & Co; 242 bales cotton, J Peerbhoy.
Behar (s), 5 chests M opium, E Hamed; 14 chests M opium, H A N Momed; 15 chests M opium, R Eduljee; 9 chests M opium, H E Elias; 9 chests M opium, M Dama & Co; 114 chests M opium, David Sassoon & Co; 10 chests M opium, D Vussonjee; 8 packages khimsie, E P Momed; 1 box silver dollars, E Hamed; 54 bundles genda horns, L Rajabally; 2 boxes silver dollars, J Sewjee; 34 chests M opium, E D Sassoon; 1 chest M opium, S Cooverjee.
Anna Henderson, 98 bales cotton, R Alladinbhoy.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Behar (s), 98 chests M opium, R Eduljee; 16 chests M opium, G Scongance; 9 chests M opium, C Bomanjee & Co; 4 chests M opium, S Jo gulkison.

POSTAL NOTICES.

DEPARTURE OF OCEAN MAILS.

	Date	Mail closes.		After packet.
United Kingdom	June 13	2 P.M.	...	3 P.M.
Kurrachee	,, 17	11 A.M.	...	
Persian Gulf via Kurrachee	,, 10	11 A.M.	...	
China	,, 7	9 A.M.	...	10 A.M.
Australia	,, 7	9 A.M.	...	10 A.M.
Mauritius, Reunion, &c	,, 20	2 P.M.	...	3 P.M.

OVERLAND MAIL.

The Overland Mails per P. and O. Co.'s Steam Packet, leave Bombay (during the monsoon months and beginning on May 30) every Tuesday at 5-30 P.M.

The Mails are closed at the General Post Office at 2 P.M.

The after packet at 3 P.M.

After packet letters are not forwarded unless an eight anna stamp is affixed to the letter in addition to the postage.

Registered letters are received at the General Post Office until 1 P.M.

The latest hour for posting Overland covers at the several Branch Post Offices is 1-30 P.M.

Late letters are received at the Pier Post Office till 4-30 P.M.

The subjoined Table shows the dates of departure of Overland Mail Steamers from Bombay during the year 1871. The hour of the steamer's departure is 5-30 P.M.

Tuesday	June	13	Tuesday	September	19
Do	do	20	Saturday	do	30
Do	do	27	Do	October	7
Do	July	4	Do	do	14
Do	do	11	Do	do	21
Do	do	18	Do	do	28
Do	do	25	Do	November	4
Do	August	1	Do	do	11
Do	do	8	Do	do	18
Do	do	15	Do	do	25
Do	do	22	Do	December	2
Do	do	29	Do	do	9
Do	September	5	Do	do	16
Do	do	12	Do	do	23
			Do	do	30

POSTAGE BY THE BRINDISI ROUTE.

The Postage rates chargeable on Correspondence forwarded "via Brindisi," to the United Kingdom or places served through the United Kingdom, are as follows:—

For the United Kingdom.

Each Letter per ½ ounce—annas 8.
Each Newspaper per 4 ounces—annas 2, pie 8.
Each Book or Pattern Packet not exceeding one ounce—annas 2; not exceeding 2 ounces—annas 3, pie 4; not exceeding 4 ounces—annas 4, pie 8; every additional 4 ounces—annas 4, pie 8.

For places served through the United Kingdom.

Each Letter—8 pie per ½ ounce less than the published rate for a Letter sent via Marseilles.
Each Newspaper—8 pie per 4 ounces more than the published rate for a Newspaper sent via Marseilles.
Each packet of Books or Patterns—8 pie per 4 ounces more than the published rate for a packet sent via Marseilles.

The full prepayment of Correspondence forwarded via Brindisi is compulsory, and all covers not fully prepaid will, unless specially marked by the senders for transmission by any other route and conforming to its conditions, be forwarded via Southampton.

CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

The subjoined Table shows the dates of departure of China and Australian Mail Steamers from Bombay during the year 1871:—

CHINA MAILS LEAVE BOMBAY ON

At Noon.			At Noon.		
Wednesday	June	7	Wednesday	September	27
Do	do	21	Thursday	October	12
Do	July	5	Do	do	26
Do	do	19	Do	November	9
Do	August	2	Do	do	23
Do	do	16	Do	December	7
Do	do	30	Do	do	21
Do	September	13	Do	Jan. 1872	4
			Do	do	18

MAILS FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

The subjoined Table shows the dates of departure of the B. I. S. N. Co.'s Contract Steamers from Bombay to Kurrachee and Persian Gulf during the year 1870:—

LEAVE BOMBAY FOR KURRACHEE

Saturday	June	17	Monday	September	25
Do	July	5	Do	October	6
Do	do	11	Do	do	22
Do	do	29	Do	November	6
Do	August	12	Do	do	20
Do	do	26	Do	December	4
Do	September	9	Do	do	18

LEAVE BOMBAY FOR PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE

Saturday	June	10	Saturday	September	10
Do	do	24	Monday	October	9
Do	July	8	Do	do	16
Do	do	23	Do	do	24
Do	August	5	Do	November	13
Do	do	22	Do	do	27
Do	September	6	Do	December	11
			Do	do	25

Registered and Ordinary Letters, as well as Books and Sample Packets, and Parcels, can be posted up to 11 A.M. on the day of departure of Steamer, as above shown during fair season.

DESPATCH OF INLAND MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

REVISED TABLE OF the hours for closing the Inland Mails on and after the 5th June 1871, and until further notice.

MAILS.	Latest hours for Posting. At General Post Office. Ordinary Letters & Papers.	At General Post Office. After Packet Letters.	At Branch Post Offices.
For Bengal, N. W. Provinces, Punjab, Central Provinces, Malwa, Berar, and for the following Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway—Wassind, Kusara, Egutpoora, Nassick, Munmar, Nandgaum, Chalisgaum; and those from Bhosawul to Jubulpore and Bhosawul to Nagpore	8-30 A.M.	9-30 A.M.	8 A.M.
For all Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway as far as Bhosawul only	4 A.M.	...	5 P.M. of previous day.
For all Post Towns on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, for Poona, Deccan, S. M. Country, and Madras Presidency; also for Ahmednuggur and Sevoor	9 A.M.	10 A.M.	8 A.M.
For ditto on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, as far as Poona	12 NOON.	1 P.M.	11-30 A.M.
For ditto on the B. B. and C. I. Railway, for Guzerat, Kurrachee, Sind, Kattiawar, and Kutch	4 A.M.	5 A.M.	5 P.M. of previous day.
For ditto in Southern Concan, i. e., for Penn, Nagotna, Mhar, Khed, Dapoolee, and Ratnagherry	3 A.M.	...	5 P.M. of previous day.

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GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

BREAK AT THE KISTNA, SOUTH-EAST LINE.

NOTICE.—During the Monsoon the TRAINS of the Company WILL BE UNABLE to RUN through between KIRUNA and CHICKSAGORE STATIONS in consequence of the Bridge at the Kistna River not being finished.

Arrangements have therefore been made for Passengers, and their Luggage, Horses, Carriages and Dogs, and for Goods to be conveyed by road between those Stations and the Ferry at the River, crossing the River by the Company's Steamer or Boats.

Passengers with 1st and 2nd Class through tickets only will be conveyed between Kistna and Chick-agore. No other class of tickets will be issued available between those places. The charges named below in addition to the ordinary fares will be made for each Passenger.

Passengers booked through will be allowed free the same quantity and description of Luggage as are allowed to be carried free by the Company's Trains. Any Luggage in excess of that quantity will be charged for at the rates mentioned below, in addition to the ordinary rates charged for excess Luggage.

Parcels and Dogs will also be booked through at the extra charges named below.

Horses and Carriages will not be booked through, except under special arrangements, which can be made only with the undersigned or with the Company's District Manager at Poona.

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The charges for conveyance between the Kistna and Chicksagore Stations, including the Ferry, will be as under, in addition to the usual ordinary Fares and rates between those places, viz:—

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These arrangements will as respects Passengers, their Luggage, Parcels, Horses, Carriages, and Dogs, be in force on and after Saturday the 10th June, instant, and as respects Goods on and after Monday, 26th June, instant, and will continue until the end of the Monsoon, or until further notice.

For times of Arrival and Departure of Trains see separate Notice of this date.

HENRY CONDER,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 6th June 1871.

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BOMBAY.

DEATH.

TRONSON—June 6th, at Bombay, Mr. George Tronson, Station Master B. B. & C. I. Railway, Surat, aged 35 years and 8 months.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

HIGGINSON—May 31st, at Gondah, Oudh, the wife of Frederick W. Higginson, Civil Surgeon, of a daughter.
MERCER—May 28th, at Dharmsala, the wife of Warren H. Mercer, Esq., Punjab Police, of a son.

DEATH.

BROADFOOT—May 23rd, between Jhelum and Rawul Pindee, Helen Douglas Broadfoot, aged 23 years.

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The Bombay Gazette.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 1871.

We are able to state, on the authority of letters from Cabul, that the Russians have not entered Bokhara. It is, indeed, true that the King of Bokhara, having some dispute with the Russians, fled lately from his capital southwards to Karshi, leaving the Grand Vizier at the head of the Bokharian Government. The Russians at once threatened to advance and occupy the capital; but the King, abandoning all show of hostility, went himself to the camp of the Russian General, and succeeded in effecting an amicable arrangement of the differences between the two States. The Russian troops, which had begun their march on Bokhara, have received orders to return to Samarcand, and the King, being reconciled with his powerful enemy, goes back to his capital to remain there so long as he is on his good behaviour. This little story illustrates, as forcibly as the capture of Bokhara by Russian troops itself would have done, the completeness of the ascendancy Russia has acquired over the rulers of all the States of Central Asia beyond Afghanistan.

Regarding the state of affairs in Afghanistan itself, we learn that after the capture of Herat Yakoob Khan marched without delay towards Furrah and Candahar. At Subzwar, to the north of the former place, his troops met those of the Ameer's general, Feramorz Khan, and, after a hard fight, defeated and drove him back on Furrah, where he remained, at latest dates, awaiting the arrival of the reinforcements despatched from Cabul by the Ameer under the command of Aslum Khan. As soon as these troops joins him, it is supposed that Feramorz will advance and try to recapture Herat. Yakoob, however, is not likely to rest on his laurels, and will probably try to follow up his victory as rapidly as possible, before his enemies have time to unite their forces. Candahar is protected by but a scanty garrison under Meer Afzul Khan. The Ameer has no intention of going either to Herat or Candahar himself. He stays at Cabul, trying to raise money and to organize more troops, and, in his jealous disquietude, imprisoning Sirdars whom he suspects of intriguing with Yakoob Khan. The brother of Shere Dill Khan and three other Sirdars have been put in chains on a charge of treachery. Shere Ali has recalled all his troops from the Khyber Pass, which is now in the hands of the savage tribes, and is completely closed against travellers. In Turkistan the troops are disaffected to the Ameer, who has been advised to bring them back to Cabul. Mahomed Alum Khan, the Governor of Turkistan, has distinctly informed the Ameer that he can place no reliance on the troops; and that, unless they are recalled, they will soon rise in rebellion. The difficulty for the Ameer, however, is to find new troops to replace the old ones. The report that Abdool Rahman Khan had reached Maimana in Turkistan is unfounded. The Sirdar, by latest accounts, was encamped on the banks of the Oxus. The state of public feeling in Cabul is described as very bad, as the news from all quarters is most alarming, and the people dare not talk about political or military affairs out of dread of the Ameer.

In the anticipations of the newspapers, "that the Comte de Chambord will shortly be King of France," be well founded, the monarchical majority in the National Assembly has lost no time in showing its real sentiments towards the Minister whom it made use of to destroy the Commune of Paris. The last batches of insurgent prisoners, left over after a week of massacres, have not yet been butchered at Versailles; but the impatient monarchists, rejoicing in the thought that at last their turn has come, and that Liberal France lies crushed beneath their feet for many a long year to come, are already telling M. Thiers that the best thing he can do is to retire quietly into private life and make room for the heir of the Bourbons. The situation may perhaps be otherwise explained, if we suppose that M. Thiers himself is playing a part in a little comedy; that he never meant to uphold the Republic, but merely accepted the office of Chief of the Executive Power in order to facilitate the return of the Orleans princes; and that, now the revolution is crushed, and the often-talked-of family arrangement has been completed, which allows the childless Comte de Chambord to reign for his life on condition that the sceptre shall at his death be transferred to the House of Orleans, the mission of the veteran statesman and intriguer is fulfilled, and he can resign power with the proud consciousness that he has succeeded in undoing the work of 1848. But if would be unjust, without evidence, to accuse M. Thiers of so much dissimulation. Repeatedly, during the last three months, he has sworn fidelity to the Republic; and, if it be said that such oaths are not of such account among politicians, the consistent character of M. Thiers—his excessive vanity and ambition—seem to forbid the supposition that he has willingly played the part of a catspaw. The distrust with which the Right regarded him was, too, so intense that it could hardly be restrained by considerations of prudence even before Paris was taken, and while the maintenance of M. Thiers' authority was essential to the suppression of a formidable rebellion.

A day or two before the last mail left England there was a curious scene in the Assembly. A report had been circulated that M. Thiers, in conversation with some Republican mediators, had dared to speak of conciliation. The mere rumour that such a thing was possible so aroused the passions of members of the majority in the Assembly that one Deputy rose in his place and asked M. Thiers to state what he really had said. The Minister, thus challenged, assumed an injured air, and vehemently protested against being catechised about his opinions. He ended a short speech by threatening to resign unless the Assembly passed an immediate vote of confidence in him. Being, for the time, indispensable to all parties, he gained his point, the vote of confidence being carried by 495 to 10. But what one French paper bitterly describes as "the imperious and imperial tone" in which the Minister demanded the capitulation of the Assembly must have created a rankling feeling of resentment which has now found vent. One of the Deputies is said to have remarked to a friend, "I vote with him now; but wait—he shall pay for it." The time has come now; there is no longer any cause to fear a union of the Republican and the Communist parties to oppose the restoration of King or Emperor. The atrocities committed by the conquering troops in Paris prove that the army has caught the savage temper of those Deputies who habitually speak of the insurgents with a brutality that is almost fiendish, and who believed that, in taking Paris by storm, they were stamping out for ever the revolutionary disease, and taking a final and complete vengeance for the massacres of aristocrats in the years of the Reign of Terror. If the Orleans princes have really cast in their lot with these furious partisans of divine right and priestcraft, and haters of modern society, they have lost their chance of helping France to found a moderate and lasting Government. The best thing they could have done, in their own interests, was to abjure all family ties, and come forward as simple French citizens. The feeling of loyalty to the Bourbons is absolutely dead among the intelligent class in France; and, even while Louis Philippe reigned, there was little personal attachment to the House of Orleans shown by the people. But moderate Liberals, who would never accept the Comte de Chambord as their King, are reconciled to the belief that a Republic would be more likely to prosper with an Orleans prince as president than with any other elected chief. One cannot but still hope that such a solution of existing difficulties may be found practicable. A Bourbon or a Bonapartist restoration, pure and simple, would but prepare the way for more plots, rebellions, and revolutions. The Commune, indeed, has perished, having fulfilled its threat of laying Paris in ruins if it could not conquer in battle; but its spirit survives. In the dignified and touching address in which Delescluze exhorted the National Gu

seconded by Mr. Pestonjee Dosabhoy—That thanks are due to the managing committee of the gymnasium for the satisfactory way in which they have discharged their duties in the last two years.

Proposed by Mr. Merwanjee Bomonjee Engineer, and seconded by Mr. Nusserwanjee Bomonjee—That the members of the managing committee should continue in office for three years instead of one year as hitherto, and that they be requested to make their report at the end of the third year.

The boys then performed various gymnastic and acrobatic exercises, which were very creditably gone through and afforded great amusement to the visitors.

Prizes of certificates of proficiency and of books were then distributed to forty-five of the pupils.

Mr. Dadabhoy Nowrojee, in addressing the meeting, thanked them for calling him to the chair. He thought, however, that it would have been more proper and more just to have conferred the honour upon some one of the gentlemen who had actively assisted in the management or progress of the institution. When twelve years ago the institution was first started, he (the Chairman) had taken some part in the preliminary arrangements; and now, after the lapse of twelve years, he was delighted to find it in a flourishing condition, and a source of material benefit to his countrymen. (Applause.) He did not wish to take up the time of the meeting in dilating upon the advantages of good health; its indispensableness to a happy life; or its necessary connection with a sound mind, and a right discharge of the duties of this world. That this institution had existed for twelve years, that it was at present in a flourishing condition, that a number of disinterested persons were labouring to promote its usefulness, were facts which evidenced that a portion of the native community at least fully appreciated its advantages. (Applause.) Leaving other considerations aside, the Chairman wished to direct attention to one point only. It was that when natives of this country claimed their just right of filling high Government offices, the reply proved a serious obstacle to their wishes. The authorities argued thus —"Before giving high posts to the natives of India, we must see whether or not, in a case of emergency arising, they would have sufficient pluck, courage, strength, or bravery to face danger. Supposing that an insurrection on a small scale broke out in a talooka, we must see whether or not a high native officer would at once ride out to face the insurgents." Now, the Chairman did not intend to say that bravery and strength were unknown among the natives of this country, but that the point having been raised by the authorities in England, special attention ought to be given to the subject. It ought to be noted that, upon gymnasia like this, depended not only the health and happiness of the natives, but also their political welfare. When a native officer was placed at the head of lacs of people, it was but fair to expect he should possess the strength and the courage, when danger arose, to rush forward in their defence. After speaking further on the subject, the Chairman thanked the managing committee for their disinterested labours, and Mr. Kaikhosroo Nowrojee Kabrajee for the valuable services which, as stated in the report, he had willingly rendered to the gymnasium.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman closed the proceedings. The Delhi Prince who was present at the meeting presented ten rupees for the distribution of sweetmeats among the pupils.

A PENALTY OF PERJURY.

YESTERDAY at the High Court, before the Hon. Sir Charles Sargeant, a suit was brought at the instance of Dossabhoy Hormusjee against Ghachee Dawood Durwesh, in which the defendant lost his case owing to his own character. The sum claimed was Rs. 1,121 the amount of a promissory note for borrowed money.

Mr. Marriott appeared for the plaintiff; the defendant appeared in person.

The plaintiff deposed that he had paid the defendant Rs. 500 before the execution of the bill, on 8th May 1870, and 300 afterwards—Rs. 300 being due for interest. Before the note was given he received an order in defendant's handwriting upon Ookerjee Fakerjee to pay a sum of money on account, but that was not paid. The promissory note was in defendant's handwriting. The total amount claimed was due but none had been paid though demanded.

Defendant did not cross-examine the plaintiff, but deposed that he borrowed Rs. 530 from plaintiff five or six years ago. The money was paid for some shares and afterwards they were made over to the plaintiff, who received the price for them.

In reply to Mr. Marriott the defendant said—I was not defendant two or three years ago in a suit in which I denied the receipt of certain goods which I had purchased. I was a defendant in a suit. I don't remember if it was before his Lordship. I don't remember being in a suit, in which Mr. McCulloch was counsel for me, regarding lead pipe. I remember having the suit transferred to the long cause list and postponed for a year, but it was not this plaintiff. That was last year.

Mr. Marriott—You remember now, do you?

Defendant said he did.

By Mr. Marriott—The signature to this document (the order for payment) is not in my handwriting. I brought a suit against Ookerjee Fakerjee, and in that suit I produced some documents which I swore were signed by Ookerjee Fakerjee. The case was tried by Mr. Justice Bayley, and his Lordship held that those signatures which I swore were Ookerjee Fakerjee's were forgeries, for that person denied having signed those documents. I do not know anything about this promissory note and never gave a note to him. I only borrowed Rs. 500 on the security of shares.

The Judge—Did you employ a solicitor in that suit against Ookerjee Fakerjee?

Defendant—Yes.

The Judge—I quite believe that the plaintiff is speaking the truth, and in this matter, having to choose and select which of the two I am to believe, the plaintiff or defendant, I have no difficulty in doing so, especially after what occurred before Mr. Justice Bayley, who said that this man perjured himself. Of course, I having done that, the defendant cannot expect to have any further credit as to anything he says.

Defendant—At the time he says I signed that note I had filed my schedule in the Insolvent Court, so it would have been quite impossible for me to have passed a note at that time.

The Judge said that he did not believe what the defendant had said, and gave decree for the full amount claimed with interest at 9 per cent., and 6 per cent. on judgment. His Lordship ordered speedy execution.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon'ble the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon'ble Mr. JUSTICE MELVILL.)

IMPORTANT DECISION.

BHASKER VISHRAM SHETT NAIKUR VS. AVAIAM VISHRAMSHETT NAIKUR AND OTHERS.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE, in giving decision, said:—In this case the decree was one awarding possession under a mortgage, and was also in the nature of a foreclosure decree, twelve months being allowed to the defendants for redemption. The decree was passed on the 22nd June 1868 and was executed by delivery of the land on or before the 24th August 1868. On the 17th March 1870 the defendant, Ramchundra, presented a petition to the Subordinate Judge, in which he stated that no service of the summons in the cause had been made on himself personally, and that he was not aware of the institution of the suit until he returned home a month and a-half before the presentation of his petition. On these grounds he asked that the judgment passed against him ex-parte might be set aside. The petition, it is to be observed, was presented more than 30 days after the defendant had necessarily become aware of the execution of the decree, and a year and a-half after the decree had actually been executed by placing the plaintiff in possession of the lands. The Subordinate Judge set aside the decree, holding that the defendant Ramchundra had not been aware of the institution of the suit, although the summons had been pasted on the door of his dwelling house, and his brother defended the suit. The Subordinate Judge made no observation whatever on the great delay in presenting the petition. Now the section of the Civil Procedure Code under which the the Subordinate Judge professes to have acted is section 119, which is as follows: "No appeal shall lie from a judgment passed ex-parte against a defendant who has not appeared, or from a judgment against a plaintiff by default for non-appearance. But in all cases in which judgment may be passed ex-parte against a defendant, he may apply, within a reasonable time not exceeding thirty days after any process for enforcing the judgment has been executed, to the Court by which the judgment was passed, for an order to set it aside; and if it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Court that the summons was not duly served, or that the defendant was prevented by any sufficient cause from appearing when the suit was called on for hearing, the Court shall pass an order to set aside the judgment, and shall appoint a day for proceeding with the suit. In all cases of judgment against a plaintiff by default he may apply within thirty days from the date of judgment for an order to set it aside; and if it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Court that the plaintiff was prevented by any sufficient cause from appearing when the suit was called on for hearing, the Court shall pass an order to set aside the judgment by default and shall appoint a day for proceeding with the suit. But no judgment shall be set aside on any such application as aforesaid, unless notice thereof have been served on the opposite party. In all cases in which the Court shall pass an order under this section for setting aside a judgment, the order shall be final; but in all appealable cases in which the Court shall reject the application, an appeal shall lie from the order of rejection to the tribunal to which the final decision in the suit would be appealable, provided that the appeal be preferred within the time allowed for an appeal from such final decision, and be written upon stamp paper of the value prescribed for petitions to the Court where a stamp is required for petitions." It is to be observed that the section begins by saying that the party may apply within a certain time; it then enables the Court to consider whether there is any sufficient reason for setting aside the judgment, and thereupon to make an order, which, if it reject the application, is to be appealable, while if it set aside the judgment, it is to be final. The question is, what is the meaning of the word "final"? We think it clear that the Court would have no jurisdiction to make any order at all, unless the application were made within the time allowed by law. This seems to have been the view of the Calcutta High Court, which has decided that, if a Subordinate Judge has set aside a judgment on an application presented after the period allowed by law has elapsed, an appeal against his order will lie—Radha Binode Chowdhry vs. Juggut Shurnokar, 6 Calc. W. R., 300; Radha Binode Chowdhry vs. Digambaree Dossee, 9, Calc. W. R., 236. The latter case is a Full Bench judgment:—and though the particular point of the admissibility of the appeal was only decided by the two judges who referred the case, yet the other judges raised no objection to their decision on the point, as we think that they probably would have done, had they not concurred in it. We think that the word "final" can be held to apply only to the decision at which the Court may arrive as to the merits of the case, that is, as to whether there has been due service, or sufficient reason for the failure of the party to attend, and we hold that an Appellate Court has a right to interfere when the Lower Court has entertained an application after the period allowed by law, and has therefore acted without any jurisdiction. It would be productive of the greatest mischief if a Subordinate Judge could set aside a judgment, and reopen a case, after any length of time, without any remedy to the decree-holder by means of an appeal. The rehearing of a case, which has been decided ex-parte, is no injury to the party who has right on his side, provided that the rehearing follow closely upon the original proceedings, and it is easy to understand why in such a case the law allows no appeal from the order reopening the suit. But a rehearing after a long interval might, and generally would be a most unfair proceeding to a party who believed, and would have good reason for believing, that the question at issue had been set at rest for ever, and his rights firmly established. On this point we may quote the remarks of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in Maharajah Mohesh-hur Sing vs. the Bengal Government (7, Moore, 303), in which one of the questions considered was whether the Commissioners of Revenue were right in admitting a review of a decision in a resumption suit after the expiration of 90 days. The Judicial Committee say:—"Before considering whether the review was granted in conformity with the Regulations, let us look a little to the principles upon which we think lapse of time is a most important consideration. In the present case five years and a-half had passed away since the original decision. Surely, whatever may be the true import of the Regulations, the parties interested in the decision which had been made, were entitled, after the lapse of a sufficient period, no appeal having been asserted or petition for a review presented, to conclude that the Government acquiesced in what had been done by the Commissioners, and in that rational conviction, to deal with the property upon the footing of the past decision." These remarks apply equally to cases such as that now before us. We may remark that they are referred to in a case decided by the Full Bench of the Calcutta Court (Shama Churn Chuckerbutty and others vs. Bindabun Chunder Roy and another, 9, Calc. W. R., 181) in which it was unanimously decided that the words in section 378, Act VIII. of 1859, the order in either case, whether for rejecting the application or grauting the review shall be final, do not prevent an appeal in cases in which an application for review is improperly admitted after 90 days have elapsed. This decision goes even further than those which we have quoted on the subject of section 119:—for by section 377 a Court is allowed a discretion as to the admission of an application after a certain time has elapsed: while section 119 permits no such exercise of discretion. Being therefore of opinion that we are justified by law in interfering with the order of the Subordinate Judge, if the defendant's application were made to him after the period allowed by law had expired, we have only to consider whether the application was so made. On this point we see no reason for doubt. The Calcutta High Court has decided that the words "any process" in section 119 mean the first process issued against the defendant or his property. Shaikh Gholam Ahyah vs. Sham Soondur Koonwaree, 7, Calc. W. R., 375; Shib Chunder Bhadooree vs. Luckhee Debia Chowdhrain, 6, Calc W.R., Mis. Rul. 51; Radha Binode Chowdhry vs. Digambaree Dossee, 9 Calc. W. R., 236. We see no reason to dissent from these judgments, and interpreting the section in this manner we find that Ramchundra's application was made long after the expiration of the period allowed by law, and therefore that the Subordinate Judge had not any jurisdiction to entertain it or to make the order which he did make, and which the District Judge erroneously, as we think, affirmed.

For these reasons the orders of the Courts below admitting Ramchundra's application are reversed, and the original decree of the Subordinate Judge is restored.

ROYAL MAIL COMPANY.

CAPTAIN MANGLES, chairman of the Royal Mail Company, at the recent half-yearly meeting of shareholders, congratulated the proprietors on the fact that the alterations made in the Tasmanian had increased her speed to fourteen knots, and enabled her to stow 1,000 tons of cargo against only 300 tons in the old class of engined ships. If we desired a proof of the advance in steam navigation, the improvements effected on board the Tasmanian would present us with an excellent illustration. It is now nine years ago since we impressed upon the directors of the company the desirability of looking to the certainty of competition, and providing ships with a greater carrying capacity and smaller consumption of fuel. The travelling public will, no doubt, regret the withdrawal of those magnificent paddle-wheel ships which have performed the service with such regularity and comparative freedom from breaking down; but the subsidy paid to the company for the conveyance of the mails will not suffice to make up a sufficient sum over passenger and goods receipts to pay dividends on capital in these competing days. Recourse must necessarily be had, therefore, to cheaper-worked ships, and this has to be accomplished by the adoption of compound engines, which take up less space, of higher pressure, and thus effect a saving in fuel. Less space for stowage of coal and lighter weight of machinery are equivalent to a relative gain in cargo room; so that, if a ship's displacement is not materially altered, she can be driven at equal or greater speed while carrying more money or freight. The increase of screw steamers with small horse-power to tonnage raises up whole fleets of formidable opponents to the regular mail steamships for though the auxiliary propelled vessel may be a day or two longer on the voyage, she carries goods at a cheaper rate than the full-powered ships, and reduces the scale of freight by the latter. It is not long since, however, that the mail packets, as a rule, could not take heavy freight. They shut out every thing but light packages, and prescribed their cubic inches for the passengers' luggage. The introduction of cotton and other kinds of large cargoes. They will all be driven to do so in self-defence, as we have frequently stated; and only must they carry heavy goods, but they will have to start from those ports whereat the greatest amounts of cargo can be secured. Our opinion of years past will, we suspect, be fulfilled, and, if so, all the long sea mail steamships will ultimately sail from the Mersey, and call at Queenstown for the mails.

The directors of the Peninsular and Oriental Company have been making exertions to provide for the conveyance of cargo, and their ship, the Khedive, takes the mails on the 6th instant for the East, and, after landing her passengers and mails at Alexandria, is to proceed through the Suez Canal, and await in the gulf for the mails and passengers by the next ship for Calcutta. The Indus is to leave on the 11th, as an extra steamer, direct to Port Said, thence, *viâ* the Canal, with passengers and cargo for Hongkong. The Peninsular and Oriental Company, therefore, have resolved upon entering extensively upon the conveyance of cargo, and in loading cotton homewards their ships will go to Liverpool, as arranged by stipulations in the contract with the Postmaster-General. Should it turn out that more freight can be secured at Liverpool for the Brazils, West Indies, and Pacific, the ships of the Royal Mail Company will have to go there. The next question for determination will be, whether the mails should be shipped at Liverpool or sent to Queenstown. All the arguments about sending letters from Ireland to England, to be carried back again past the former island, and the advantages to the merchants in the saving of time by forwarding mails through Queenstown, will then be revived; and the issue is certain to be, that the precedent already established will be further acted upon. The Royal Mail Company's ships have fitted out at, and sailed to and from, Southampton for many years, and the officers of the company have their homes there. It may, however, become not only expedient, but absolutely imperative, to shift to the Mersey when bulky freights are to be sought for to fill up larger ships and the directors of the company have awakened to a sense of the duty imposed upon them by the altered circumstances of the times in which we live. By the acquisition of ships stowing more cargo and consuming less coals, the company will become carriers of commerce, and be placed on a better footing than at present to compete with their economically-sailed rivals.—*Mitchell's Maritime Register*, May 5.

THE AFGHAN WAR.

(*Indian Public Opinion*, June 2.)

WE have reason to doubt the statement that Futteh Mahomed Khan is killed. It is true he may be killed, but it is not positively *known* that he is. Our Cabul correspondent instructs us to say that the story sent to Government about Futteh Mahomed Khan's death, and his son's wounds, is untrue. His son has arrived in Cabul in the garb of a known having with the utmost difficulty, and after undergoing innumerable perils, managed to save his life, and he is convinced that his father has not been killed.

Our latest advices from Afghanistan entirely confirm the suspicion we previously expressed that Yakoob Khan was being helped by Persia. Our correspondent distinctly states that the Shah of Persia has been backing him all along, and the Governor of Meshed is regularly assisting him with all that he requires. Thus assisted Yakoob feels pretty secure in his new position. Meantime, he is busy strengthening the defences of Herat and organising the adjoining tribes. The tribes in the neighbourhood of Herat have joined his cause most heartily, and are assisting him in carrying out his plans.

What of the Amir? The news of his action is not at all reassuring, and we very much fear that what the Amir wants is not so much money as men. He has very few adherents whom he can thoroughly trust, and his people for the most part dislike him personally.

The Amir has at last left Cabul *en route* for Herat. Before leaving Cabul it was necessary to leave a governor in the city. Of all the men available for the office, he has fixed upon the most ineligible. The Amir had four uterine brothers. Three of these are dead, the only remaining brother being Mahomed Shureef Khan. During the life of Dost Mahomed, Shureef Khan was governor of Furrah and Girishk. He acquired great wealth, but his character was something like the Vicar of Bray—he changed sides just as it suited him, and was the most notoriously untrustworthy man of all the rival chiefs. The Amir has for some time back effectually prevented him from enjoying the little excitement of occasionally turning his coat, by keeping him in prison in Cabul. At the present moment the son of Mahomed Shureef Khan is serving with Yakoob Khan in Herat! Would it be believed that the Amir at this important juncture has released Mahomed Shureef Khan from prison, has brought him to Durbar, has bestowed a rich khillut upon him, and has placed him at the head of Cabul affairs! Such is the case, and the people of Cabul are much dissatisfied. Shureef is well known to them, indeed his common appellation among them is "The Traitor Brother." This action is looked upon as a positive humiliation to the Amir, as well as a decided weakening of his power, and they personally dislike Shureef Khan. If the Amir means to trust to Shureef remaining faithful on account of this sudden generosity, we should doubt of the result. No such thing as generosity truly exists in any Afghan, and the generosity which only displays itself under circumstances like the above is much akin to that elicited from a traveller when a highwayman requests him to fork out. The Amir's highwayman is fear, and he besets all his ways.

If the Amir is inclined to be generous and forgive his old enemies, and if he wishes a clever, capable servant, we request him to turn his eyes to the fort at Lahore, where a gallant young man is wasting away his life and gradually falling into a loose way of living from sheer high spirit and utter aimlessness and idleness of life. Mahomed Ismail Khan was the Amir's enemy, but he was an open one. He was a clever, brave leader, ever foremost in battle, and remarkable for his hair-breadth escapes and adventures. Since he came to the Punjab he has been deeply impressed with the style in which the English rule the country, and looks up to them with a respect he never felt before for any power. He is eager to receive a frontier commission or command from the English, and from the old rivalry between himself and Yakoob Khan, is considerably excited by the Afghan news. Why should it not be suggested to him to serve the Amir under guarantees of English support as long as he is faithful, and English vengeance if it be otherwise? The whole system is wrong by which we keep and pay such political prisoners from other countries. Here is, as we humbly think, a chance for doing a little good in the way of peace-making, and strengthening an ally. If Government has a conscience it should be ashamed to condemn this chief, half-barbarous if you will, to the fate of that "bonnie Prince Charlie" who began his career so gallantly—but being driven into exile, died at last, far from home, a broken-down drunkard.

A LITTLE AFFAIR IN ASSAM.

SOME two months ago there was a small raid in Assam, near Mungledye. A family of Bhooteahs migrated into our territory and settled down, *i. e.*, squatted about six miles from the frontier. The Bhooteah chief, named Fepsa, from whose sovereignty they had seceded, was very indignant at the desertion. And we must say the potentate had some reason to feel aggrieved, inasmuch as the desertion of that family left him with only eleven adult male subjects. He accordingly made a raid on his run-away vassals. The men escaped, but he captured no less than 17 persons, girls, boys and old people. Colonel Hopkinson, the Agent to the Governor General, when reporting the event to the Bengal Government, used the expression:—"Of course I do not contemplate at present the having recourse to force for the recovery of the captives." But the Lieutenant-Governor, not being apparently a "peace-at-all-price" personage, wrote back through a secretary:—"His Honor does not consider it a matter 'of course' that force will not be used. That must depend on whether it can be used with prudence, and that will depend on whether the offender is easily accessible." In the meanwhile King Fespa has surrendred his seventeen captives to Captain La Touche, the Assistant Commissioner. We really quite feel for the chief at having to part with so very large a proportion of his population.—*Pioneer*, June 5.

INDIAN ITEMS.

THE influx of European visitors to Cashmere is not over-agreeable to the authorities there. Instead of the country remaining open to visitors as during last winter, the Resident is to see all visitors out of the country by the end of October and then be off himself. —*Indian Public Opinion*, June 2.

WE regret to announce the death of a lady named Miss Broadfoot while on the journey to Murree. She was travelling with her brother and his wife, and was, we believe, in a weakly state at the time. Beyond Jhelum, during the night, she was attacked with heat apoplexy, which soon overpowered her delicate constitution.—*Indian Public Opinion*, June 2.

THE TICHBORNE CASE.

THE hearing of this case was begun in the Court of Common Pleas before Lord Chief Justice Bovill and a special jury on May 11, and resumed next day.

Mr. Serjeant Ballantine, in stating the case to the jury, said the question was whether the person he represented was entitled to an ancient baronetcy with the possession of large estates in different counties in this country—whether he was the true representative of the Tichborne family, or was one of the most atrocious impostors ever conceived by the mind of mortal man. He was sorry to say there was no short cut to the termination of the case, and that as justice could be done between the parties except after a protracted inquiry and the examination of a vast number of witnesses, whose evidence would be conflicting and difficult in some instances to understand. The plaintiff, Sir Roger Charles Tichborne, claimed the Tichborne estates as the son of Sir James Doughty Tichborne, who had two brothers, being himself the youngest. The first brother died early; the second brother took the estates, and with them the estates belonging to the Doughty family, and he also assumed the name of Doughty. He had no son, but on dying he left an only daughter, Miss Kate Doughty, now married to a gentleman named Ratcliffe. The property being settled in the male line it passed with the baronetcy on the failure of this issue to Sir James Doughty Tichborne, the father, as he had said, of the present claimant. Before he came into the property he and his wife were living on an allowance made by the family, and their means were comparatively narrow. Sir James Doughty married, in August, 1827, Harriet Félicité Seymour, a Roman Catholic lady, whose mother was a French lady, but whose father, Mr. Seymour, was an English gentleman. She was more familiar with the French than the English language, but she could speak both. This lady was the mother of the present claimant, who was born on 5th of January, 1829, and on the 5th of January 1839, was born another son, James, who died early, having previously married and leaving a posthumous child, who was the infant referred to in the present inquiry. The father and mother of Sir Roger lived in Paris, and when he grew up they placed him under a tutor named Monsieur Chatillon. He entered the army, but sold out, and eventually left the country on account of not being allowed to marry a young lady to whom he was attached, and to whom, by a secret will, he had left a legacy. He also left £600 to Mr. Gosford, the steward of the estate, and that gentleman was now in possession of a sealed packet given him by Sir Roger before he left England. No human being but himself could tell the contents of that packet; but the claimant was prepared to state, not, perhaps, the very words, but the substance of the directions given therein. If it was said that he did not give the contents correctly, he challenged the production of the packet itself, to show that he lied. The learned Serjeant, after detailing the adventures of the claimant, said that the defendant contended he was one Arthur Orton, the son of a Wapping butcher; but he confidently expected to produce evidence which would lead them to a different conclusion.

The learned counsel had not concluded his address when the court rose on May 11. In resuming it next morning, the learned Serjeant said, Sir Roger Tichborne, while in Australia, met Arthur Orton, whose name would occupy an important place in the inquiry. In 1861 he went to Wagga Wagga, and at that place he was to a great extent in the society of Arthur Orton, who had arrived in Australia at an earlier period than himself. If the two persons were not one (as the defendants would suggest they were) there could be no doubt that they "turned up" at the same places and the same time. The question would be whether Tom Castor was Arthur Orton, or whether he was the genuine Sir Roger. In 1865 Sir Roger married the lady who was his present wife. She had a female child shortly after the marriage, and three others were born, two being sons. There could be no doubt, therefore, that the question of the baronetcy and the estates was of vast importance, not only to Sir Roger, who could hardly be expected to live until it was finished, but to the young people who might see the end of these proceedings. His mother believed her son to be living, and she continued in the belief for years. Ultimately when Sir Roger came to this country, she acknowledged him to be her son, and although in examination in Chancery she positively identified him, she was not subjected to any cross-examination. The learned counsel read a letter which Sir Roger first wrote to his mother from Wagga Wagga on the 17th January 1866, promising that his imperfect education was during his adventurous life entirely forgotten, and that he relapsed into a state of comparative ignorance, and also that it would be found the spelling was not correct. It began—

"MY DEAR MOTHER,—The delay which has taken place since my last letter, dated the 22nd of April, 1852, makes it very difficult to commence this letter. I deeply regret the trouble and anxiety I must have caused you by not writing before, but they are known to my attorney, and more private details I keep for your own ear. You may rest assured that, although I am in a humble condition of life, I have never let one act disgrace you or the family. I am a poor man and nothing more."

The writer went on to remind his mother that he had still a brown mark on his side and a certain card-case which he received at Brighton. He also expressed his determination to return home by the overland route, and asked her to send him £200 to meet the expense and pay his outstanding debts. The plaintiff had this mark on his side, and the card-case had reference to some persons by whom he was plundered at Brighton at cards and a promise he had made never to gamble again. At Sydney the plaintiff was recognized as the real Sir Roger by Guilfoile, the gardener of his uncle, who had emigrated there with his wife, and happened to meet him accidentally. Then there was an old servant of Sir Edward Doughty, a man of colour, who, after forty years' service, had been pensioned off, and had an annuity of £50 a year, who saw the claimant in Australia, and also at once recognized him. On the part of the defence it would be suggested that this man, Bogle, was the keystone of all the plaintiff's knowledge of the family, and that the plaintiff had concocted this story with him; but he would be called, and subjected doubtless to severe cross-examination. Sir Roger, on leaving Australia, went to America, and on the 25th of December, 1866, he arrived, in company with Bogle, in London, and he went to the hotel formerly used by his uncle—Ford's Hotel, in Manchester-street, Manchester-square. On the 28th of December he visited the estate at Tichborne, and afterwards proceeded to Paris to see his mother, at her earnest invitation. On reaching Paris he was seriously ill that he had to keep his bed. His mother went to his hotel, and recognized him at once as her firstborn, and sent for Sir J. Olliffe, the physician to the French embassy, to attend upon him. She declared she was as certain he was her son as she was certain of her own existence. She allowed him £1,000 a year until he could assert his rights to the family estates and title, and she continued in the same belief as to his identity until her death. A few days after the mother's recognition Sir Roger made a formal claim to the estates, and the reply he received from the defendant's solicitors on the 25th of January, 1867, was to the effect that they did not believe him to be the person he represented himself to be, and they left him to his remedies. Mr. Serjeant Ballantine (in conclusion) told the jury that he would call a multitude of gentlemen of character and position who had no more doubt of the claimant being Sir Roger Tichborne than they had of their individual existence.

The first witness called was Mr. John Francis Adams, a commissioner for taking oaths in the Court of Chancery, to verify certain depositions and other documents. It was here intimated that before the claimant was called several other witnesses would have to be examined.

PROFESSOR TYNDALL ON "SOUND."

(*Mechanics' Magazine*, May 5.)

ON Thursday, last week, Dr. John Tyndall, F.R.S., delivered the second of his series of lectures on Sound, at the Royal Institution, Albemarle-street, in the presence of a large auditory, as usual.

Professor Tyndall began by narrating how the heating of air diminishes the velocity of sound passing through it, and as speaking tubes have their temperature slightly raised when they are used, in consequence of the motion of the air inside, it follows that when such tubes have been used for a few minutes, the velocity of sound passing through them is a little diminished by the increased temperature set up in its own path by the sound. That the velocity of sound through tubes is diminished when the tubes are warmed has been conclusively proved by experiments.

Sound is refracted and reflected like light, and obeys the same laws. Light is refracted by a glass convex lens, because light passes more slowly through glass than through air; but, as sound passes more rapidly through glass than through air, a convex glass lens causes a divergence instead of convergence of waves of sound which have passed through it in substance. Hence, a lens for sound must be made of something which transmits the waves with less velocity than they are transmitted by air, and carbonic acid gas is a very suitable substance for the purpose. The lecturer exhibited a sound-lens, consisting of a thin india-rubber balloon, filled with carbonic acid gas; this lens would permit the ticking of a watch placed a foot behind it to be heard by an ear placed about six or eight feet in front.

Next Professor Tyndall spoke of the difference between noises and musical sounds, and he read the following quaint remarks on the subject, extracted from Pepy's Diary:—"August 8th, 1666. Discoursed with Mr. Hooke about the nature of sounds, and he did make me understand the nature of musical sounds made by strings mighty prettily; and told me that having come to a certain number of vibrations proper to make any tone, he is able to tell how many strokes a fly makes with her wings (those flies that hum in their flying), by the note that it answers in unique, during their flying. That, I suppose, is a little too much refined; but his discourse in general of sound was mighty fine." The lecturer then proceeded to explain how the number of vibrations, which produce any given musical sound, may be determined with scientific accuracy. The difference between a noise and a musical sound is, that a musical sound consists of a succession of noises following each other with sufficient rapidity, at regular intervals of time. He exhibited a number of cogged wheels, mounted upon one axis, and caused them to rotate slowly by means of multiplying gear driven by hand, and he permitted the moving cogs to bear against a piece of cardboard which he held in his hand. While each wheel rotated slowly, the beating of the cogs against the card simply caused a fluttering noise, but when the wheel rotated rapidly the noise changed to musical note, very much like the sharp whistling sometimes produced by a gust of wind among the trees. Thus any regular and rapid succession of sound-waves set up in air, produces effects which are so blended by the mechanism of the ear, as to convey to the brain of the listener the sensation of a musical sound.

The human ear is limited in its range of hearing musical sounds. If the vibrations number less than 16 a second, we are conscious only of the separate shocks. If they exceed 38,000 a second the consciousness of sound ceases altogether. The range of the best ear covers about 11 octaves, but the auditory range is sometimes limited to 6 or 7 octaves. The range of the ear far transcends that of the eye, which hardly exceeds an octave.

The speaker, in explaining how the number of vibrations of the wing of an insect, or of any other vibrations which produce a musical sound, may be scientifically determined, said that a musical sound may be readily produced by a succession of puffs of air. He then exhibited a syren, a little brass instrument driven by wind from a bellows, and the instrument cuts up the wind into puffs, as it escapes. Thus a musical note is produced, and the greater the force with which the bellows are urged, the greater is the velocity of motion of the sound-producing part of the syren, and the more does the pitch of the musical note increase; in fact, it can be forced up to piercing shrillness. Professor Tyndall proved these points by setting the instrument to work. The rotating portions of the syren were attached to a kind of gas-meter index, to show the number of rotations and puffs of air produced, and thus the number of vibrations of air in any given musical note produced by the syren was accurately registered.

The pitch of a musical note depends solely upon the number of vibrations concerned in its production. The more rapid the vibrations the higher the pitch. By means of the syren the rate of vibration of any sounding body may be determined. It is only necessary to render the sound of the syren and that of the body identical in pitch, so that both sounds in unison for a certain time, and to ascertain, by means of the counter of the syren, how many puffs have issued from the instrument in that time. This number expresses the number of vibrations executed by the sounding body. On these principles Professor Tyndall, in the presence of the observers, determined the number of vibrations executed on the following forks. He set the syren to work, and when its sound rose to the same pitch as the sound of the fork, he knew that the number of vibrations of both instruments was the same, and all he had to do was to read off the actual number of vibrations, by means of the index attached to the syren. Had the hum of an insect's wing been substituted for the sound from the tuning fork, it is evident that the number of vibrations would, in like manner, have been determined, thus demonstrating the accuracy of the information given in "mighty fine" language to Mr. Pepys by Hooke, in 1666. Professor Tyndall said that when a body capable of emitting a musical sound—a tuning-fork, for example—vibrates, it moulds the surrounding air into sonorous waves, each of which consists of a condensation and a rarefaction. The length of the sonorous wave is measured from condensation to condensation, or from rarefaction to rarefaction. The wave-length is found by dividing the velocity of sound per second by the number of vibrations executed by the sounding body in the same time. Thus, a tuning-fork, which vibrates 256 times in a second, produces in air of 15 degrees C, where the velocity is 1,120 feet a second, waves 4 feet 4 inches long. While two other forks, vibrating respectively 320 and 384 times a second, generate waves 3 feet 6 inches and 2 feet 11 inches long. A vibration, as defined in England and Germany, comprises a motion to *and* fro. It is a *complete* vibration. In France, on the contrary, a vibration comprises a movement to *or* fro. The French vibrations are with us, and the Germans semi-vibrations. The time required by a particle of air, over which a sonorous wave passes, to execute a complete vibration, is that required by the wave to move through a distance equal to its own length. The higher the temperature of the air, the longer is the sonorous wave corresponding to any particular rate of vibration. Given the wave-length, and the rate of vibration, we can readily deduce the temperature of the air.

Professor Tyndall closed this lecture by exhibiting a few experiments with vibrating strings.

THE NAMING OF DOGS.

(*Spectator*, May 6.)

IN the "agony column" of Thursday's *Times* was a modest little advertisement representing, we will venture to say, as much genuine distress of heart as any of the more sensational of the notices we are accustomed to find there. It ran as follows:—

DOG LOST.—Black Collie, with white breast, white fore legs, white patch at back of neck, and double dew claws. Answers (imperfectly) to the name of "Boofleums Junior." ONE POUND REWARD if taken, &c.

How easy it is to trace the antecedents of "Boofleums Junior"! Evidently its mother had been a member of the owner's family during the infancy of one of the babies, who in its inarticulate efforts to praise the beauty of its faithful companion, the sagacious collie, had called it "boofle ums," the baby-language for 'beautiful one,' and the name had been enthusiastically adopted by the family as a tribute of admiration at once to the dog and the baby. As the baby grew, 'Boofleums' had a litter of puppies, from which one was selected to transmit the virtues of the race, and this one, named 'Boofleums Junior,' to distinguish it from its mother, is the unfortunate dog,—still so heedless as to be able to answer but "imperfectly" to its elaborate name,—lost in St. James's Street, for which the one pound reward is offered by the desolated master or mistress, who would doubtless give much more if it were in his or her power. The mere name tells a story of the child-like confidence and love entertained for Boofleums Senior; and doubtless Boofleums Junior, though so careless as to have acquired but imperfectly the habit of answering to his name, had inherited many of his mother's virtues; but what drew our attention to this pathetic advertisement, —and seriously speaking, is there anything sadder than the thought of a favourite dog wandering helplessly about such a place as London, or more probably still, with a yearning for its master rising almost to terror in its heart, chained up in its anguish by the dog-stealers, who will give no sign till a higher reward than one pound is offered for its recovery?—was the happy skill shown by this dog's and its mother's owners in the selection of names. If there be a certain magic in naming men,—and we have heard the cleverest of living novelists say that success in delineating a character depends almost wholly on the happy selection of a name,—there is a still greater magic required for the naming of cats and dogs, especially the latter; nor can anything in this life ever make up to a wise cat or dog for the fatal mistake of branding it with a wrong name. The happy owners of Boofleums Senior and Junior, must have possessed a true family gift for seizing the moment of inspiration, for understanding the Delphic oracle which spoke through the baby's lisping tongue. 'Boofleums' expresses the very essence of innocent tenderness and trust, and must have had a most powerful effect in softening the dog's nature, and making it respond to the depth of fleecedness reverence and admiration for it which the baby felt. 'Boofleums Junior' is, of course, quainter and grotesquer than Boofleums simpliciter, expressing more of whim, and less personal respect,—which very likely may have its use in subsequently introducing that heedlessness which is implied both in the loss of its name by the dog, and in the spontaneous statement on the part of the sorrowing owners that it answered but "imperfectly" to its name. But still, if patronymics be admissible for dogs at all, 'Boofleums Junior' was a good patronymic. There is an affectionate irony about the formality of the distinction of the younger generation,—an elaborate familiarity suggestive of the formal address of letters to the dog,—which must have tended to playfully complex relations between him and his master.

The great thing in naming a cat or dog is to give a name which shall always be full of meaning to those who pronounce it, which shall not be liable to fall into a mere *sound* to be recognized by the creature as a summons, but which shall constantly carry something of its character in the naming in very few syllables. If you choose such a name as this, every time you pronounce it the creature will gain a step in education, will have a fuller sense of the ideal to which you wish it to live up. Call a cat Atossa, or Cleopatra, or Pocahontas, or Bishop, or Mortimore, or Lady Barbara, and something of antique regality, or of sprightly elegance, or wild queenliness, or of heavy dignity, or of aristocratic *sang-froid*, or of the *femme sage* will be inevitably generated in them, for their names cannot be pronounced without a certain 'recollection' of their significance by the person who speaks them. But call a cat 'Pussy,' or 'Nell,' or 'Kit,' or any of the unmeaning names, and the chances are that their attention will never be fully roused in this world to the import of their own personality. The greatest hero among the cats we ever heard or read of the one who had the most dignified and royal intelligence, who was most loved in his life and mourned in his death, had a whole string of ancient names, one of which indicated that he was born in the purple; and accordingly, when at length he was gathered to his fathers, the cats who had been his disciples in his lifetime came from afar on pilgrimages to his grave, and sat on it in turns in discharge of their vows.

But though a certain amount of success may be obtained with exceptional cats by this plan of giving them names which as Mr. Mill would say in his logic, not only 'denote' the individuals, but 'connote' special characteristics, it is not with cats that the highest fruits of the practice can be obtained. Cats are, as a rule, excessively passive and even sluggish in their intellectual natures. The kind of sagacity they exhibit is usually of the sort so admirably described by the enthusiastic French concierge who had managed to preserve her cat through the dangers of the siege of Paris, and who is commemorated in Mrs. Edey's very amusing paper in the new number of *St. Paul's*:—

the way to my office, where I worked away till twelve o'clock, and then feeling hungry after my early breakfast, I went across Parliament Street to my club to get some luncheon. There were about half-a-dozen men in the coffee-room, none of whom I knew; but in a minute or two Danvers of the Treasury entered in a tremendous hurry. From him I got the first bit of authentic news I had had that day. The enemy had landed in force near Harwich, and the metropolitan regiments were ordered down there to reinforce the troops already collected in that neighbourhood; his regiment was to parade at one o'clock, and he had come to get something to eat before starting. We bolted a hurried lunch, and were just leaving the club when a messenger from the Treasury came running into the hall.

"Oh, Mr. Danvers," said he, "I've come to look for you, Sir; the secretary says that all the gentlemen are wanted at the office, and that you must please not one of you go with the regiments."

"The devil!" cried Danvers.

"Do you know if that order extends to all the public offices?" I asked.

"I don't know," said the man, "but I believe it do. I know there's messengers gone round to all the clubs and luncheon-bars to look for the gentlemen; the secretary says it's quite impossible any one can be spared just now, there's so much work to do; there's orders just come to send off our records to Birmingham to-night."

I did not wait to condole with Danvers, but just glancing up Whitehall to see if any of our messengers were in pursuit, I ran off as hard as I could for Westminster Bridge, and so to the Waterloo station.

The place had quite changed its aspect since the morning. The regular service of trains had ceased, and the station and approaches were full of troops, among them the Guards and artillery. Everything was very orderly; the men had piled arms, and were standing about in groups. There was no sign of high spirits or enthusiasm. Matters had become too serious. Every man's face reflected the general feeling that we had neglected the warnings given us, and that now the danger so long derided as impossible and absurd had really come and found us unprepared. But the soldiers if grave, looked determined, like men who meant to do their duty whatever might happen. A train full of Guardsmen was just starting for Guildford. I was told it would stop at Surbiton, and, with several other volunteers, hurrying like myself to joing our regiment, got a place in it. We did not arrive a moment too soon, for the regiment was marching from Kingston down to the station. The destination of our brigade was the east coast. Empty carriages were drawn up in the siding, and our regiment was to go first. A large crowd was assembled to see it off, including the recruits who had joined during the last fortnight, and who formed by far the largest part of our strength. They were to stay behind, and were certainly very much in the way already; for as all the officers and sergeants belonged to the active part, there was no one to keep discipline among them, and they came crowding around us, breaking the ranks and making it difficult to get into the train. Here I saw our new brigadier for the first time. He was a soldier like man, and no doubt knew his duty, but he appeared new to volunteers, and did not seem to know how to deal with gentlemen privates. I wanted very much to run home and get my greatcoat and knapsack, which I had bought a few days ago, but feared to be left behind; a good-natured recruit volunteered to fetch them for me, but he had not returned before we started, and I began the campaign with a kit consisting of a mackintosh and a small pouch of tobacco.

It was a tremendous squeeze in the train; for, besides the ten men sitting down, there were three or four standing up in every compartment, and the afternoon was close and sultry, and there were so many stoppages on the way that we took nearly an hour and a-half crawling up to Waterloo. It had been five and six in the afternoon when we arrived there, and it was nearly seven before we marched up to the Shoreditch station. The whole place was filled up with stores and ammunition, to be sent on to the East, so we piled arms in the street and scattered about to get food and drink, of which most of us stood in need, especially the latter, for some were already feeling the worse for the heat and crush. I was just stepping into a public-house with Travers, when who should drive up but his pretty wife? Most of our friends had paid their adieus at the Surbiton station, but she had driven up by the road in his brougham, bringing their little boy to have a last look at papa. She had also brought his knapsack and great coat, and what was still more acceptable, a basket containing fowls, tongue, bread-and-butter and biscuits, and a couple of bottles of claret,—which priceless luxuries they insisted on my sharing.

Meanwhile the hours went on. The 4th Surrey Militia, which had marched all the way from Kingston, had come up, as well as the other volunteer corps; the station had been partly cleared of the stores that encumbered it; some artillery, two militia regiments, and a battalion of the line, had been despatched, and our turn to start had come, and long lines of carriages were drawn up ready for us; but still we remained in the street. You may fancy the scene. There seemed to be as many people as ever in London, and we could hardly move for the crowds of spectators—fellows hawking fruits and volunteers' comforts, newsboys, and so forth, to say nothing of the cabs and omnibuses; while orderlies and staff-officers were constantly riding up with messages. A good many of the militiamen, and some of our people, too, had taken more than enough to drink; perhaps a hot sun had told on empty stomachs; any how, they became very noisy. The din, dirt, and heat were indescribable. So the evening wore on, and all the information our officers could get from the brigadier, who appeared to be acting under another general, was, that orders had come to stand fast for the present. Gradually the street became quieter and cooler. The brigadier, who, by way of setting an example, had remained for some hours without leaving his saddle, had got a chair out of a shop, and sat nodding in it; most of the men were lying down or sitting on the pavement—some sleeping, some smoking. In vain had Travers begged his wife to go home. She declared that, having come so far, she would stay and see the last of us. The brougham had been sent away to a bye-street, as it blocked up the road; so he sat on a door-step, she by him on the knapsack. Little Arthur, who had been delighted at the bustle and the uniforms, and in high spirits, became at last very cross, and eventually cried himself to sleep in his father's arms, his golden hair and one little dimpled arm hanging over his shoulder. Thus went on the weary hours, till suddenly the assembly sounded, and we all started up. We were to return to Waterloo. The landing on the east was only a feint—so ran the rumour—the real attack was on the south. Anything seemed better than indecision and delay, and, tired though we were, the march back was gladly hailed. Mrs. Travers, who made us take the remains of the luncheon with us, left to look for her carriage; little Arthur, who was awake again, but very good and quiet, in her arms.

We did not reach Waterloo till nearly midnight, and there was some delay in starting again. Several volunteer and militia regiments had arrived from the north; the station and all its approaches were jammed up with men, and trains were being despatched away as fast as they could be made up. All this time no news had reached us since the first announcement; but the excitement then aroused had now passed away under the influence of fatigue and want of sleep, and most of us dozed off as soon as we got under way. I did at any rate and was awoke by the train stopping at Leatherhead. There was an up-train returning to town, and some persons in it were bringing up news from the coast. We could not, from our part of the train, hear what they said, but the rumour was passed up from one carriage to another. The enemy had landed in force at Worthing. Their position had been attacked by the troops from the camp near Brighton, and the action would be renewed in the morning. The volunteers had behaved very well. This was all the information we could get. So, then, the invasion had come at last. It was clear, at any, rate, from what was said, that the enemy had not been driven back yet, and we should be in time most likely to take a share in the defence. It was sunrise when the train crawled into Dorking, for there had been numerous stoppages on the way; and here it was pulled up for a long time, and we were told to get out and stretch ourselves—an order gladly responded to, for we had been very closely packed all night. Most of us, too, took the opportunity to make an early breakfast off the food we had brought from Shoreditch. I had the remains of Mrs. Travers's fowl and some bread wrapped up in my waterproof, which I shared with one or two less provident comrades. We could see from our halting-places that the line was blocked with trains beyond and behind. It must have been about eight o'clock when we got orders to take our seats again, and the train began to move slowly on towards Horsham. Horsham Junction was the point to be occupied—so the rumour went; but about ten o'clock, when halting at a small station a few miles short of it, the order came to leave the train, and our brigade to form column on the highroad. Beyond us was some field-artillery; and further on, so we were told by a staff-officer, another brigade, which was to make up a division with ours. After more delays the line began to move, but not forwards; our route was towards the north-west, and a sort of enquiry as to the direction of the flashed across my mind. Horsham was already occupied by the enemy's advanced-guard, and we were to fall back on Leith Common, and take up a position threatening his flank, should he advance either to Guildford or Dorking. This was soon confirmed by what the colonel was told by the brigadier and passed down the ranks; and just now, for the first time, the dull boom of artillery came up on the light south breeze. In about an hour the firing ceased. What did it mean? We could not tell. Meanwhile our march continued. The day was very close and sultry, and the clouds of dust stirred up by our feet almost suffocated us. I had saved a soda-water-bottleful of yesterday's claret; but this went only a short way, for there were many mouths to share it with, and the thirst soon became as bad as ever. Several of the regiment fell out from faintness, and we made frequent halts to rest and let the stragglers come up. At last we reached the top of Leith Hill. It is a striking spot, being the highest point in the south of England. The view from it is splendid, and most lovely did the country look this summer day, although the grass was brown from the long drought. It was a great relief to get from the dusty road on to the common, and at the top of the hill there was a refreshing breeze. We could see now, for the first time, the whole of our division. Our own regiment did not muster more than 500, for it contained a large number of Government office men who had been detained, like Danvers, for duty in town, and others were not much larger; but the militia regiment was very strong, and the whole division, I was told, mustered near by 5,000 rank and file. We could see other troops also in extension of our division, and could count a couple of field-batteries of Royal Artillery, besides some heavy guns, belonging to the volunteers apparently, drawn by cart-horses. The cooler air, the sense of numbers, and the evident strength of the position we held, raised our spirits, which, I am not ashamed to say, had all the morning been depressed. It was not that we were not eager to close with the enemy, but that the counter-marching and halting ominously betokened a vacillation of purpose in those who had the guidance of affairs. Here in two days the invaders had got more than twenty miles inland, and nothing effectual had been done to stop them. And the ignorance in which we volunteers, from the colonel downwards, were kept of their movements, filled us with uneasiness. We could not but depict to ourselves the enemy as carrying out all the while firmly his well-considered scheme of attack, and contrasting it with our own uncertainty of purpose.

The very silence with which his advance appeared to be conducted filled us with mysterious awe. Meanwhile the day wore on, and we became faint with hunger, for we had eaten nothing since daybreak. No provisions came up, and there were no signs of any commissariat officers. It seems that when we were at the Waterloo station a whole trainful of provisions was drawn up there, and our colonel proposed that one of the trucks should be taken off and attached to our train, so that we might have some food at hand; but the officer in charge, an assistant-controller I think they called him—this control department was a new-fangled affair which did us almost as much harm as the enemy in the long-run—said his orders were to keep all the stores together, and that he couldn't issue any without authority from the head of his department. So we had to go without. Those who had tobacco smoked—indeed there is no solace like a pipe under such circumstances. The militia regiment, I heard afterwards, had two days' provisions in their haversacks; it was we volunteers who had no haversacks, and nothing to put in them. All this time, I should tell you, while we were lying on the grass with our arms piled, the General with the brigadiers and staff, was riding about slowly from point to point of the edge of the common looking out with his glass towards the south valley. Orderlies and staff-officers were constantly coming, and about three o'clock there arrived up a road that led towards Horsham a small body of lancers and a regiment of yeomanry, who had, it appears, been out in advance, and now drew up a short way in front of us in column facing to the south. Whether they could see anything in their front I could not tell, for we were behind the crest of the hill ourselves, and so could not look into the valley below; but shortly afterwards the assembly sounded. Commanding officers were called out by the General, and received some brief instructions; and the column began to march again towards London, the militia this time coming last in our brigade. A rumour regarding the object of this counter-march soon spread through the ranks. The enemy was not going to attack us here, but was trying to turn the position on both sides, one column pointing to Reigate, the other to Aldershot; and so we must fall back and take up a position at Dorking. The line of the great chalk-range was to be defended. A large force was concentrating at Guildford, another at Reigate, and we should find supports at Dorking. The enemy would be awaited in these positions. Such, so far as we privates could get at the facts, was to be the plan of operations. Down the hill, therefore, we marched. From one or two point we could catch a brief sight of the railway in the valley below running from Dorking to Horsham. Men in red were working upon it here and there. They were the Royal Engineers, some one said, breaking up the line. On we marched. The dust seemed worse than ever. In one village through which we passed—I forget the name now—there was a pump on the green. Here we stopped and had a good drink; and passing by a large farm, the farmer's wife and two or three of her maids stood at the gate and handed us hunches of bread and cheese out of some baskets. I got the share of a bit, but the bottom of the baskets must soon have been reached. Not a thing else was to be had till we got to Dorking about six o'clock; indeed most of the farmhouses appeared deserted already. On arriving there we were drawn up in the street, and just opposite was a baker's shop. Our fellows asked leave at first by twos and threes to go in and buy some loaves, but soon others began to break off and crowd into the shop, and at last a regular scramble took place. If there had been any order preserved, and a regular distribution arranged, they would no doubt have been steady enough, but hunger makes men selfish; each man felt that his stopping behind would do no good—he would simply lose his share: so it ended by almost the whole regiment joining in the scrimmage, and the shop was cleared out in a couple of minutes; while as for paying, you could not get your hand into your pocket for the crush. The colonel tried in vain to stop the row; some of the officers were as bad as the men. Just then a staff-officer rode by; he could scarcely make way for the crowd, and was pushed against rather rudely, and in a passion he called out to us to behave properly, like soldiers, and not like a parcel of roughs. "Oh, blow it, governor," says Dick Wake, "you aren't a going to come between a poor cove and his grub." Wake was an articled attorney, and, as we used to say in those days, a cheeky young chap, although a good-natured fellow enough. At this speech, which was followed by some more remarks of the sort from those about him, the staff-officer became angrier still. "Orderly," cried he to the lancer riding behind him, "take that man to the provost-marshal. As for you, sir," he said, turning to our colonel, who sat on his horse quite astonished at the treatment, "if you don't want some of your men shot before their time, you and your precious officers had better keep this rabble in a little better order;" and poor Dick, who looked crest-fallen enough, would certainly have been led off at the tail of the sergeant's horse, if the brigadier had not come up and arranged matters, and marched us off to the hill beyond the town. This incident made us both angry and crest-fallen. We were annoyed at being so roughly spoken to: at the same time we felt we had deserved it, and were ashamed of the misconduct. Then, too, we had lost confidence in our colonel, after the poor figure he cut in the affair. He was a good fellow, the colonel, and showed himself a brave one next day; but he aimed too much at being popular, and didn't understand a bit how to command.

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GENERAL SIR HOPE GRANT'S REPORT ON THE EASTER MONDAY REVIEW.

THE report from Lieutenant-General Sir J. Hope Grant, G.C.B., on the Volunteer Review held at Brighton, on Easter Monday, issued on May 12 from the War Office, says with regard to the marching past that the steadiness of the volunteers in passing the saluting point and their general appearance was very creditable to them. There was, however, considerable delay in the marching past of a portion of the force in consequence of the smallness of the ground for assembly. The report proceeds—

"With so large a body of volunteers, so little drilled in brigade, and with so many officers quite unaccustomed to field movements on a large scale, it will be easily understood how difficult it is to carry out manœuvres correctly. I was also compelled to have the movements finished by a certain time, in order to enable the men to return home at the hour appointed. It is therefore obvious that a force consisting of about 24,000 men cannot, even in a military point of view, be handled in a satisfactory manner in so short a space of time. I, therefore, in my humble opinion consider these large reviews are very detrimental to the force, and are calculated to do more harm than good, as there is neither time nor opportunity to correct any fault that takes place. That mistakes were made is not to be wondered at, as it is impossible to expect commanding officers of battalions to take charge of large brigades without any previous practice, except where the knowledge has been previously acquired; or general officers to handle with ease and precision large divisions composed of brigades so constituted. The men individually showed great intelligence; they were orderly in their behaviour; appeared willing to obey any order given, and seemed desirous of learning their work. The officers, too, appeared zealous and anxious to perform their duty. But this is not sufficient without experience. I have written thus strongly as, notwithstanding a very simple field-day, which was fully explained on the previous Saturday to as many commanding officers as could be assembled together, there were grave errors in the positions taken up; and had it been in actual warfare whole brigades would have been utterly annihilated in a few minutes. If time had permitted all these errors would have been remedied, but under the circumstances this was quite impossible. I would therefore suggest, with due deference to His Royal Highness, that Review on so extensive a scale be discontinued. At present they are merely pleasant sources of amusement to the numerous spectators who attend, but where no military duty of any importance is to be learnt. I would also state I consider the volunteer artillery should be solely confined to garrison duties, to which they are admirably adapted, but as field artillery they are neither manned nor horsed in sufficient numbers for service, and would necessarily run great risk of capture by an enemy if brought into action. In my opinion, two or three volunteer battalions should be brigaded with troops of the line, in a district; and should be commanded by an officer who could correct each movement, and to instruct the officers in their duties. But the volunteers will, I fear, never become really efficient till they have a longer period of drill, and when under arms or in uniform should be under military control. I am convinced the greater number of volunteers would not object to, but would even prefer this discipline; and those who do not would be better out of the volunteer force; the numbers might diminish but the efficiency would increase."

OCCASIONAL NOTES.

(FROM THE "PALL MALL BUDGET" OF MAY 5.)

COBURG AND GOTHA.

The prolonged illness of Prince Ernest of Saxe-Coburg has given rise to speculation in the duchies of Coburg and Gotha as to his probable successor. "The presumptive heir," says a correspondent of the *Wolkszeitung*, "is Prince Alfred of England, now twenty-seven years old. Some time ago he made several brief visits to Coburg, where he has a new palace and some empty estates, but he has since adopted the naval career, and is at this moment cruising with an English squadron in the Indian Ocean. He is a total stranger to the affairs of the duchies; he appears to be more at home in the Indian Archipelago than in Coburg and Gotha, and does not show much ambition to play the part of a small German prince. Queen Victoria has two other sons, Arthur and Leopold—who have also learned German. They might replace their brother on the throne of the duchies, unless, indeed, England should prefer to renounce their hereditary rights in favour of the German Emperor. This would be the most sensible course, and anyhow it must come to that sooner or later."

A HINT TO MR. LOWE.

One more suggestion may be made to Mr. Lowe for the disposal of his condemned match labels. Let them be employed as wrappers for the hairdyes, complexion-powders, and other cosmetics most in vogue, and thus let those who use them contribute something to the revenues of the State. Some measures are evidently necessary in order to check the inordinate indulgence in these articles, but whether the remedy is to be found in taxation or in the spread of knowledge is perhaps an open question. A scientific contemporary supports the latter view, and mentions a sad example of the baneful effects produced by the indiscriminate use of the decoction of boxwood "for promoting the growth or changing the colour of the hair." A young woman in Lower Silesia, desirous of renewing the crop of chestnut hair which she had lost through an attack of fever, made use of the boxwood lotion, but having neglected to protect her face and neck from it, they become covered with red hair to such a degree that "she seemed but little different from an ape or a monkey." Such a fact may be gratifying to Mr. Darwin, but we hope will convey a warning to those who are seeking to restore lost charms.

AN ANECDOTE OF THE EMPIRE.

A French pamphlet, said to be written by an ex-Minister of the Second Empire, gives some interesting revelations apropos of Prince Bismarck's statement in the German Parliament that in August, 1866, the French Government asked for Mayence as a compensation for the enlargement of the Prussian territory. The writer says that M. Drouyn de Lhuys, who was then Foreign Minister in Paris, repeatedly urged on Napoleon that France could not possibly tolerate so enormous an increase in the power of Prussia, and that war was inevitable. At length the Emperor admitted that M. Drouyn de Lhuys was right, and asked him at once to prepare the necessary despatches as a preliminary to a declaration of war. The Minister then sent for the head of his Cabinet, Count Chaudordy (the name who was afterwards Minister of Foreign Affairs under Gambetta), and both of them worked at the despatches all night. Next morning M. Drouyn de Lhuys went to the Tuileries with all his papers ready, but the Emperor received him very coldly. "Cher Ministre," said Napoleon, "I have just had a long conversation with the Minister of War. We have entirely dropped the idea I spoke to you about yesterday. I have neither men, nor horses, nor arms." The Minister bowed and retired. An hour afterwards his resignation was received and accepted. The author adds that this story is "d'une parfaite exactitude."

AN ODD SORT OF VAGRANT.

It would be a great charity if some of the miserable performing monkeys who are dragged about the streets with little caps on their heads and long frock coats for the amusement of the British public could be passed back to their respective parishes. Monkeys have before now been dealt with under the laws relating to vagrants; in 1822 Mr. Marmaduke Lawson, an acting magistrate for the North and West Riding of York, was examined before a committee then sitting on the Vagrant Laws. He was asked, "Have you ever known an instance of anything except a vagrant having been included in a pass?" "Great evils," Mr. Lawson replied, "have arisen from magistrates leaving blank passes, with their signatures attached, in the hands of their clerks. In consequence of a magistrate in the North Riding leaving a blank pass with his clerk the following circumstance occurred:—A man had a monkey which was the means of his subsistence, in going up and down the country was taken up for begging; he had a regular pass made out for Scotland, with the usual allowance of eightpence per day. The man said that he could not maintain himself and his monkey on that sum, and the consequence must be that he must dispose of him. The clerk having been much amused with the tricks and grimaces of the monkey, said, 'We will pass him too.' Accordingly, a blank pass was filled up for the monkey under the name of 'John Strange,' also with the allowance of eightpence a day, and by this means he was passed out of the North Riding into Scotland." "You really mean," asked the committee, "that this happened?" "Yes," said Mr. Lawson, "I do."

REACTIONARY SIGNS IN FRENCH FASHIONS.

If the leaders of the insurrection in Paris have leisure to study the French fashions in dress, they will be confirmed in their apprehensions of the reactionary tendencies of the country at large. A great authority in these matters publishes an account of Lyons fashions which contains alarming news for Republican sympathisers. "The name of the new material which, in my opinion," says the correspondent of the *Opinion*, "will be most popular this season is gros de Rome. It is exquisite, especially in the shade of blue known as bleu de Roi." We hear besides of the intensely aristocratic material, Armure Duchesse, made with a Raphael bodice; also of the Princesse des Ursins Jupe, and Louis XIV. style. All this is much too distinguished and æsthetic. The Commune should compete with the Royalist milliners. Here is a field for the energy of the martial citoyennes of Paris. Instead of forming battalions of *les vengeresses* they should invent attractive costumes for the coming season of a nature calculated to enlist the sympathies of the well-dressed on their behalf. Red is a becoming colour when judiciously handled; and although we read of "silks bunched up as only the famous Worth who now rules at Lyons can arrange them," it can hardly be doubted that the ingenuity exhibited by Paris is equal to the high art of dressmaking. If the Mère Duchêne will for a time lay aside her pen and devote her energies to "bunching up" something she may do good service to the cause she has at heart.

THE LATEST THING IN RELIGIONS.

A new religious sect has made its appearance in Vienna, and has notified its existence and programme to the Ministerial authorities. The new community will bear the names of "Confessors of the Message of Truth, Liberty, and Love," and their creed is as follows:—

"1. We acknowledge the world to be a unity of infinite space and time, the creation of which is God 'Weltgeist.' 2. We acknowledge that humanity is one of the innumerable forms in which the 'Weltgeist,' manifest himself in the series of his developments. We acknowledge that humanity is progressing in all ways, and we declare it to be every man's task to assist in this improvement with all his powers. 3. Essence and knowledge are indestructibility of the Essence in all the phenomena of the 'Weltgeist,' and, consequently, also in men, and we therefore consider death to be only the translation into a new form of temporal existence. 4. We acknowledge that there must be a retribution for all actions, but this is only of a temporal nature. 5. We acknowledge that all those actions are good which are in harmony with the principle of the Essence, equality, of all men and which tend to the progress of humanity. All actions not in accordance with this are objectionable. 6. We acknowledge the notion of 'God,' as the idea of absolute perfection, to be a postulate of human reason.

The ethics of the "Message" are:—

"1. The commands of liberty: Be moderate, be calm, be true, be clean, be industrious, be economical. 2. The commands of justice are: Offend not, illtreat not, kill not, cheat not, steal not, rob not. 3 The commands of love are: Be courteous to all, be compassionate with the unhappy, be cheerful with the happy, assist the poor, heal the sick, feed the weak."

The head of the new sect is Dr. Hippolyt Tauschinsky, and its president the weaver Herr Kajetan Schädle, of Fünfhaus, Vienna. Nothing is as yet stated regarding the form of worship to be adopted in the new community, or as to the number of its adherents.

PULPIT INFLUENCE IN GERMANY.

The new Reichsparlament does not seem to be more proof against electoral corruption than similar institutions elsewhere. Two of its members have already been deprived of their seats, the one because of undue influence on the part of the Government, as represented by the "Landrath" of his county; the other on account of undue influence exercised on his behalf from the pulpit. But it seems that more victims are doomed, chiefly from the latter cause. Thus a new petition has been presented against the election of Herr Müller, a "geistlicher Rath" of Berlin. It seems that the clergy were particularly anxious to have him in the House, and one *pfarrer* delivered himself in the course of his sermon of the following sentiments on his behalf:—

"My dear children (he addressed his congregation), I love you all most dearly. But you really must not elect anybody else but the ghostly Counsellor Müller, of Berlin. That is the man sent by God. I know him personally, for I have studied with him. He lies in the greatest poverty in a dark little cell, he has no clothes but those he has himself with in the bitterest cold, and I sent one day pity on him, and makes him a present of an old coat, he goes and gives it to the poor. He has no bed, no stove in his room; he hungers when the cloth of hunger, and dispenses with all human necessities. Even now he is half a saint already. You must give your votes to him, and to none else."

The roars of the House at this singular recommendation were loud and long, and even the speakers on the Right had but little to say in extenuation of it, except that it could not have influenced the electors to any very great extent, as a representative without clothes and without human wants could, however pious they might be, hardly have appeared desirable even to them, and that, therefore, the clergymen in question could not have well interfered with their own judgment. Meanwhile the facts of the case are to be investigated in committee.

METZ.

The German *Reichsanzeiger*, the new official organ of the Imperial Government, publishes an account of the labours of the sanitary commission at Metz, now happily nearly at an end, which have been, as may well be imagined, not only a most unpleasant but an almost herculean task. The commission was appointed some week before Christmas and has been at work ever since. The area under its charge has a radius of fourteen kilometres, equal to nine or ten miles, and here some 25,000 human corpses lay half or not even half buried, besides ever so many dead horses. The official report says that no human corpses have been burned or otherwise destroyed, as at Sedan; but soldiers' letters contradict this statement. The graves have been carefully disinfected and properly covered, and each mound bordered with stones, turf, or a wooden enclosure. Besides lime and other disinfectants the services of agriculture have been employed for disinfection, the battlefield having been ploughed up as early as was practicable and sowed with cereal and pulse crops, which are now already in an advanced condition, and are to be mown as early and as often as possible, in order by their vegetation to assist decomposition, and by their leaves to neutralize the hurtful miasmatic. For the same purpose extensive plantations have been made outside the city walls, which are likewise growing rapidly. Few hands were constantly to be found for the uninviting task, the scarcity being increased by the animosity still prevailing among the native population against the Germans. Four companies of Prussian sappers and miners were consequently told off for the disagreeable duty. According to letters from men of this corps the bodies of officers were in many instances picked out of the heaps of corpses, and buried separately; progressing decomposition, however, soon forced them to abandon this unnecessary work. Meanwhile the men were encamped amid the graves, and exposed to the nauseous exhalations. Unfairly, as it seems, the gravediggers were not taken from among the young soldiers of the line and reserve, but chiefly from the veteran landwehr, whose age ought to have exempted them from such exceptional service. The letters mention that bodies which were too far gone to be transported from their first shallow graves to new and deeper ones were piled up in pyramids, covered with tar and petroleum and set on fire. The stench which has saturated the atmosphere and the soldiers' clothes to such a degree that there was no getting rid of it. It disgusted the men so much that (adds one of them) "we have even given up liking our schnaps" (liquor). The authorities deserve to be thanked for their energetic efforts to remove all traces of the frightful butchery, and the sooner they get it over the better.

At the time when the last mail left England, there was being exhibited at "The Universum"—whatever that may be or mean, if it means anything in particular, which we doubt, the living body (dressed of course, though

"Dressed as a duchess going into a ball,
Which means a duchess very much undressed,"

of Miss C. Heenan, "the great American Prize Lady." From a programme of the exhibition, in which the Prize Lady figures as large as life, and, in fact, a good deal larger, we learn that "she is 22 inches round the muscle of the arm, 3 feet 6 inches across the shoulders, and 7 feet round the body. Handsome in appearance" (here the picture in the programme has a mistake), "and weighs 48 stone" and not 22 years of age, she is the heaviest female living, weighing 40 stone." Around this "maiden world unconquered," and we should say unconquerable too—a world comprising "11 feet round the body," and, consequently, some sizes smaller than that other heavenly body, the moon, are grouped, in the picture before us, the figures of ordinary women who scarcely reach up to the waist of the giantess. To our view the whole thing is insufferably vulgar, especially the display of personal charms which might fairly be apportioned out amongst half a dozen ordinary fish-women, and arms which recall dreams of English legs of mutton which the local market has never satisfied. But tastes differ; and we are told that Miss H. had the distinguished honour of appearing before the late lamented Abraham Lincoln, from whom she received a handsome prize cup. America has always been remarkable for the facility and felicity with which she has worked out old English ideas, and it is instructive to know that the idea, which has struck at prize pigs and prize babies in England, has reached maturity in the "Prize Lady" of America.—*Indian Daily News.*

THE FRENCH CIVIL WAR.

THE ATTACK ON PARIS.

PARIS, May 11, Morning.—Official reports announce that Forts Montrouge and Bicêtre were sharply attacked yesterday evening, but nothing fresh has been heard up to the present. The attack of the Government troops on the Bineau Gate has been repulsed. The Government troops have unmasked ironplated batteries on the left of the Château of Bécon, and have established fresh batteries on the Boulevard Eugène at Neuilly, and also batteries at Genevilliers to reply to those at Montmartre. It appears that the chief attack of the Government forces will be made at Auteuil and Point du Jour, as a large number of their troops are being massed upon that side.

Evening.—It is said that Fort Vanves, which was vigorously attacked last night by the Versailles troops, fell for a time into their power, but was retaken this morning by the Federalists. According to some versions, the garrison, with the exception of 150 men, abandoned the fort under the influence of a panic. These 150 men fought on for a long time, but were at last compelled to withdraw. In any case the fort is extremely dilapidated; it sustains a terrible fire, and its evacuation, if not already an accomplished fact, cannot long be delayed.

CONFISCATION OF THE PROPERTY OF M. THIERS.

PARIS, Thursday, May 11.—The *Journal Officiel* this morning contains the following decree:—

"The Committee of Public Safety, considering that the proclamation of M. Thiers declares that the army will not bombard Paris, while every day women and children fall victims to the fratricidal projectiles of Versailles, and that it makes an appeal to treason in order to enter Paris, feeling it to be impossible to vanquish its heroic population by force of arms, orders that the goods and property of M. Thiers be seized by the Administration of the Domains, and his house in the Place St. Georges be razed to the ground. Citizens Fontaine, Delegate of the Domains, and Andrieu, Delegate of the Public Service, are charged with the immediate execution of the present decree."

Night.—Great crowds have collected to-day about the house of M. Thiers to see the last of it. The removal of the furniture and valuables has not yet commenced.

THE BOULTON AND PARK PROSECUTION.

(Abridged from the Daily Telegraph.)

THIRD DAY, MAY 11.

THE Court of Queen's Bench was engaged during the whole of yesterday forenoon in taking medical evidence of a character unfitted for the columns of a general newspaper. The court was again crowded, and there were numbers of people waiting in the passages and at the approaches outside. In addition to the counsel already mentioned as being engaged in the case, Mr. Gould, of the American bar, appeared to assist in the defence of Mr. Fiske. On the part of the prosecution, Dr. John Rowland Gibson, surgeon of Newgate, Dr. Alfred Swaine Taylor, and Dr. Barwell, of Charing-cross Hospital, were called. All these gentlemen had seen the defendants at Newgate in June last, and as regarded the testimony of the first two, their evidence appeared to tell as much for the defence as for the prosecution.

The finding of letters at 13, Wakefield-street, by Inspector Shenton, was then proved by him. These letters were read by the Attorney-General in the course of his opening statement, and have been already published.

Mr. Alexander Bissett, clerk in the surveyor's office of the Edinburgh Post Office, proved the handwriting of the defendant Hurt to the four letters signed "Louis" which also appeared in the report of the first day's proceedings.

Mr. Inspector Shenton was then recalled, and in reply to Sir John Karslake, said he had not found hundreds of letters and papers at Wakefield. All the letters found were handed over to the Solicitor of the Treasury. The papers found were envelopes and stationery, and also a copy of the play of "The Duke of Lyons."

The Attorney-General said that the two letters from the defendant Hurt to Lord Arthur Clinton were unfortunately mislaid at the Treasury, but he had copies of them, which he would prove.

Mr. Pollard, of the Treasury, deposed that he had been concerned in the management of the case. The original letters of 9th and 11th October, 1868, from Louis Hurt to Lord Arthur Clinton, had been mislaid. To the best of his belief the copies produced were correct copies.

Cross-examined by Sir John Karslake: About 2,600 letters and documents were sent to the Treasury, but many of them were of a very private nature, and had nothing to do with the case. They were amongst crowds of men. Did they speak to any one? No. They went out alone and came home alone. All that they did was to parade their theatrical finery, acting a part as much as they did on the stage, indulging a passion for admiration—and no more. What did the evidence of the police amount to? It carried the case no further than this—that they dressed in women's clothes—a fact which was admitted, but with this significant addition, that they went out alone and returned alone. In commenting upon the outstanding evidence for the prosecution the learned gentleman said that Lord Arthur Clinton was in his grave, but, though in his grave, he was still in the indictment. From the silence of his grave he called upon—he invoked—the jury not to blast his memory for ever. He went on to say that the dressing gown which the female servant who had been examined described as a lady's dress, would be produced, and that it was a gentleman's costume dressing gown. A gentleman, who was a permanent lodger in the house, would be examined, and he would say that Boulton dressed as a man, that he knew he was a man while they were in the house, and that he only saw him once dressed as a woman. The landlady of the house would also be examined and would prove that Boulton dressed in male attire, and that no impropriety occurred in her house. Having commented at some length upon the evidence for the prosecution, the learned gentleman stated that he would produce the parties from whom the dresses were purchased, and show that they were intended for theatrical performances; actors with whom Boulton had played, and who would show that it was a common thing to use in writing and conversation the names of the characters which had been personated; and photographers, who would show that the photographs were taken with a view to commemorate theatrical parts in which Boulton and Park had won admiration and applause. He concluded his address at six o'clock, appealing eloquently to the jury to dismiss all prejudice from their minds in the discharge of their solemn duty. (Applause.)

The Lord Chief Justice said that if there were any further manifestation on the part of those present during any part of the proceedings he would have the court cleared.

The Court then rose.

(Globe, May 12.)

THIS was the fourth day of this remarkable trial. The intensity of the interest at first excited has died away in an extraordinary manner. The Court and the entrance presented the usual appearance of an ordinary every day sitting, no one exhibiting any anxiety whether they could obtain entrance or not. The four defendants entered the court shortly before ten o'clock, and with the exception of Boulton they were dressed very much the same as on the first day. Boulton, however, has shown more fastidiousness in his dress. Yesterday he wore a light-grey close-fitting overcoat, but to-day he wore a change of dress Unlike Park, he has never omitted to wear the bouquet in the button-hole. A singular feature connected with the conduct of the case is, that of the seventeen counsel engaged, five are M.P.'s and two ex-M.P.'s.

The Lord Chief Justice appealed to Sir John Karslake to allow Mr. Sergeant Parry to address the jury next for Park, so as to keep the London case, as it were, distinct from the country part of it, and also, for another reason, as he wished to consult the other judges on the evidence affecting Hurt.

Sir John Karslake said that it was by a mere accident that Hurt's name appeared on the indictment between Boulton and Park's, and he had no objection to the course proposed.

Mr. Sergeant Parry said he should prefer the counsel should address the jury in order and that he should not be called on to do so until after Sir John Karslake.

Sir John Karslake then proceeded to address the jury on behalf of Hurt, and he commenced by saying that he had been sitting in court since Tuesday in almost enforced idleness, for though he appeared on behalf of Mr. Hurt, one of the defendants, they would perhaps have remarked that, with the exception of the evidence given by one witness, it had hardly been his duty to ask a single question as to Hurt's conduct, and he confessed he was astonished to find such a course had been taken in this case and adopted, not hastily and unadvisedly, but had received the sanction of the Attorney-General, as the mixing up in one indictment of charges against Hurt with those made against others who were said to be actors in this drama, in which he had no interest or concern whatever. At one time it was found that indictments for conspiracy were turned into engines of oppression, and any person having a spite against another could place him in an indictment for conspiracy, trusting that the prejudice attaching to others might drag down that man with those in the indictment, and so grievous was that felt to be that a change took place in the law, and a person who was not committed for trial could not be found with others in a conspiracy without the *fiat* of the Attorney-General, so as to give him some security that the indictment should not be injuriously proceeded with against him. All that had been proved against him was that he knew Boulton, Park, and Lord A. Clinton; that several letters written by him in Scotland had been found, and that Boulton had visited him in Scotland, a not unlikely or unnatural thing because Boulton was ill, and he wished to return the hospitality which Boulton's parents had afforded him when he was in London. If any offence had been committed, which was positively denied, it had been committed in Scotland and not in England, and when he came to London it was expecting that he would be called as a witness for Boulton, but that was not done. He was not arraigned and taken before a magistrate in London, or sent back to Scotland for examination, and the first thing he heard of the charge made against him was when he found himself charged with conspiracy in this indictment.

The Lord Chief Justice left the court to consult the other judges on the point raised by Sir John Karslake yesterday, on behalf of Hurt, and, on his return, he said he had consulted two of his learned brothers on the points raised on behalf of those whom he might call the Scotch prisoners, and they agreed with him that as at present advised there was some evidence against them, and that with regard to the point of jurisdiction he ought to reserve that point, and give the prisoners leave to move.

Sir John Karslake then proceeded with his address.

(Left sitting.)

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